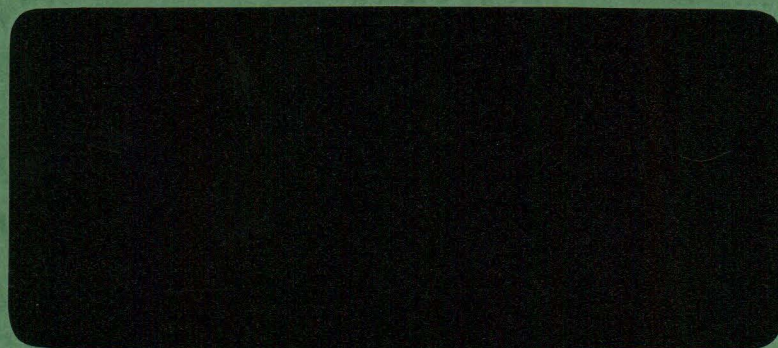


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OF THE TOWN OF KEYSER, WEST VA.  
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made by William W. Wolfe in 1966

# Incorporation of the Town of Keyser, W. Va

" The Circuit Court held at Keyser, Mineral County, West Virginia  
on Nov. 16<sup>th</sup> 1874, upon the petition of —

J. T. Hoke, John Hughes, Wm. M. Welch, F. M. Reynolds  
and Thomas B. Davis, issued a certificate of incorporation  
to the town of Keyser, Mineral County, West Virginia, formerly  
the unincorporated town of New Creek, Mineral County,  
West Virginia."

EXCERPTS FROM THE MINUTES

OF THE TOWN OF KEYSER, WEST VA.  
WITH RESOLUTIONS 1874

All remarks enclosed with documents and explanations  
made by William W. Wells in 1880



The first election for Mayor and Councilmen (5) for the Town of Keyser was held in January, 1875.

The first meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Town of Keyser was held February 1st., 1875.

February 1st., 1875

In the chair - Mayor J. T. Hoke

Councilmen present: - James I. Barrick, Thomas B. Davis, William M. Welch, Arnold Gerstell, M. D., Fred Huffman and Orlando Shay, Recorder.

It was ordered that the salary of the Town Sergeant (Chief of Police) be \$2000.00 per year.

John H. Payne was appointed Sergeant-  
Orlando Shay was appointed Assessor.

An ordinance entitled "An Ordinance to Prevent Ill-treatment of Females and Lewd and Lascivious Behavior" was passed.

February 8, 1875

Permission granted T. M. MacNemar and John W. Perry to butcher animals for sale on the premises occupied by John W. Perry (at what is now 204 Mozelle Street) until the 1st day of April, 1875, provided they properly disinfect the place so used before the 1st. day of April, 1875.

Permission given George E. Wells to slaughter animals at his slaughter-house on the South-Western limits of the town. Wrote to B. & O. R. R. Co. not to permit freight trains to pass through town limits at a greater rate of speed than 10 miles per hour.

February 13, 1875

The name of High Street was changed to Piedmont Street.

March 8th., 1875

Permission granted Mayor to shoot or fire off his gun on his premises.

Allowed the Sargent, John H. Payne, 50¢ for removing ice from the ford at the crossing of New Creek and removing ice from Water Street.

NOTE: - (There was no bridge across New Creek at Armstrong Street. Armstrong Street ended at Water Street. The "county" road went on North Water Street to Welch Street, then forded the creek and went along the Potomac River bank to Lover's Leap, thence to present Route 46.)



The first election for Mayor and Councilmen (5) for the Town of Kaysen was held in January, 1875.

The first meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Town of Kaysen was held February 1st, 1875.

February 1st, 1875

In the chair - Mayor J. T. Locke  
Councilmen present - James L. Harrison, Thomas H. Davis, William H. Welch, Arnold Gerstle, H. G. Fred Smith and Orlando Shaw, Recorder.

It was ordered that the salary of the Town Sergeant (Chief of Police) be \$2000.00 per year.

John H. Payne was appointed Sergeant.  
Orlando Shaw was appointed Assessor.

An ordinance entitled "An Ordinance to prevent ill-treatment of females and lewd and lascivious behavior" was passed.

February 8, 1875

Permission granted T. H. McManis and John W. Perry to butcher animals for sale on the premises occupied by John A. Perry (at what is now 208 Locust Street) until the 1st day of April, 1875, provided they properly disinfect the place so used before the 1st day of April, 1875.

Permission given George A. Wells to slaughter animals at his slaughter-house on the South-western limits of the town. Wrote to U. S. R. Co. not to permit freight trains to pass through town limits at a greater rate of speed than 10 miles per hour.

February 13, 1875

The name of High Street was changed to Richmond Street.

March 8th, 1875

Permission granted Mayor to shoot or fire off his gun on his premises.

Allowed the Sergeant, John H. Payne, \$50 for removing ice from the ford at the crossing of New Creek and removing ice from Water Street.

NOTE: - (There was no bridge across New Creek at Armstrong Street. Armstrong Street ended at Water Street. The "country" road went on North Water Street to Welch Street, then forded the creek and went along the Potomac River bank to Lover's Leap, thence to present Route 46.)



March 23, 1875

The fine imposed by the Mayor on David Allen Harris for allowing the horses attached to a wagon to run away through his neglect, was remitted.

March 29, 1875

Paid John H. Payne, Town Sergeant, for removing the remains of an unknown man, \$7.25.

April 5, 1875

Streets having a width of 50 ft. shall have pavement on each side of same of the width of 10 ft. and streets of a width of 40 ft., pavements on either side of 8 ft. and all streets of a less width than those named, 1/5th. on each side shall constitute the width of the side walks.

Passed the following Ordinances: -

"An Ordinance concerning Privies".

"An Ordinance to Prevent throwing water, slops, coal ashes, etc. in the streets and alleys".

"An Ordinance in Relation to Hogs running at large."

"An Ordinance concerning Hog Pens and Pig Steyes."

Councilman William M. Welch was granted permission to keep his female dog "Lady" within the corporate limits of this town for 30 days without payment of a tax.

April 12, 1875

Irving Ritzell was allowed \$1.50 for one day as clerk of election.

April 26, 1875

Mr. A. L. (Ambrose) Liller having made complaint to the Council of an excessive charge by the Sergeant for the empounding of his hogs, it was ordered that the Sergeant return to Mr. Liller the amount collected.

Authorized E. Brophy to sell at retail ale and beer at his saloon on Main Street.

Granted privilege to sell at retail, spiritous liquors, wines, porter, ale and beer and drinks of like nature to commence May 1st. 1875: -

Gilmore and Mellody, at store house on Armstrong Street.

John W. Perry, at New Creek Hotel (204 Mozelle St.)

James Keenan, at his house on Armstrong Street.

R. Lichenstine, at his saloon on corner of Center and Davis Streets.

W. E. Whitter, at his saloon on Armstrong Street.

Con Moran, at his house at corner of Main and Armstrong Streets.

They must each give bond for \$500.00.



March 23, 1875

The fine imposed by the Mayor on David Allen Harris for allowing the horses attached to a wagon to run away through the market, was remitted.

March 24, 1875

Paid John H. Payne, Town Sergeant, for removing the remains of an unknown man, \$7.25.

April 5, 1875

Streets having a width of 50 ft. shall have pavement on each side of same of the width of 10 ft., and streets of a width of 40 ft. pavements on either side of 8 ft. and all streets of a less width than those named, 15 ft. on each side shall constitute the width of the sidewalks.

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An Ordinance concerning Privies.  
An Ordinance to prevent throwing water, slops, coal cinders, etc. in the streets and alleys.  
An Ordinance in relation to dogs running at large.  
An Ordinance concerning hog pens and pig styres.  
Councillor William H. Smith was granted permission to keep his female dog "Lody" within the corporate limits of this town for 30 days without payment of a tax.

April 12, 1875

Irving Strickell was allowed \$1.50 for one day as clerk of election.

April 26, 1875

Mr. A. L. (Larose) Miller having made complaint to the Council of an excessive charge by the Sergeant for the weighing of his dogs, it was ordered that the Sergeant return to Mr. Miller the amount collected.

Authorized L. Crosby to sell at retail ale and beer at his saloon on Main Street.

Granted privilege to sell at retail spirituous liquors, wines, porters, ale and beer and drinks of like nature to commence May 1st, 1875: -

Clinton and Melody, at their house on Armstrong Street.  
John W. Perry, at New Creek Hotel (208 Normal St.)  
James Kahan, at his house on Armstrong Street.  
R. Dickerson, at his saloon on corner of Center and Davis Streets.  
W. L. Witter, at his saloon on Armstrong Street.  
Con Hornum, at his house at corner of Main and Armstrong Streets.  
They must each give bond for \$200.00.



May 4, 1875

Bills ordered paid: -

Allie P. Ritzell, for repairing tools -----\$ 7.50

May 11, 1875

Simon Rudolph, for 20 pieces of tin .75

Washington Moseley, for acting as judge at election 1.50

The wages of those working on the Streets and Alleys of the town was fixed at \$1.35 per day.

June 8, 1875

The Recorder, Orlando Shay, was authorized to purchase 2 lamps, chimneys, oil and oil can for use of council.

June 20, 1875

Permission given Mr. George W. Parsons (89 Davis St.) to have his cellar door open onto the side walk on Davis Street.

Like permission given Mr. Whitter for his cellar door at his saloon on Armstrong Street. (Now the site of the Crites' Trading Post, 141 Armstrong St.)

Retail liquor license granted Z. P. Conway & Co., for store on Mineral Street.

Permission given W. T. McGahan to sell liquor at his "City Hotel", corner of Main and Armstrong Streets.

June 22, 1875

Received an invitation from a Committee of Citizens of Piedmont and Westernport, Md., to be present at a Convention of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Co. to be held in Piedmont, W. Va., on Thursday, June 24, 1875, and to partake of a dinner.

August 5, 1875

The charges preferred by Mr. Bowers against the Sergeant, Mr. Pain (Payne) were read and the evidence of James Rine, Thomas B. Frey and Mr. Bowers to sustain said charges were read, Mr. Pain also read a statement under oath in his own behalf. Mr. Leps, a witness, being absent, the further hearing was continued to next meeting.



May 4, 1875

Bill ordered paid: -

Allen P. Kirtland, for repairing tools ----- \$ 7.50

May 11, 1875

Simon Rudolph, for 10 pieces of tin  
Washington Mosley, for acting as judge at election  
The wages of those working on the streets and alleys of the  
town was fixed at \$1.50 per day.

June 8, 1875

The Recorder, Orlando Shoy, was authorized to purchase 2 lamps, chimneys,  
oil and oil can for use of council.

June 20, 1875

Permission given to George W. Lawrence (32 Davis St.) to have his cellar  
door open onto the side walk on Davis Street.

Like permission given to Mr. Whitson for his cellar door at his saloon on  
Armstrong Street. (Now the site of the "Crest" building, 141 Armstrong St.)

Retail liquor license granted to J. V. Conway & Co., for store on Mineral  
Street.

Permission given to W. A. Bowman to sell liquor at his "City Hotel",  
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of a dinner.

August 5, 1875

The charges preferred by Mr. Bowen against the Sergeant, Mr. Bain (Payne)  
were read and the evidence of James Rine, Thomas B. Troy and Mr. Bowen to sustain  
said charges were read. Mr. Bain also read a statement under oath in his own  
behalf. Mr. Rine, a witness, being absent, the latter hearing was continued to  
next meeting.



November 4, 1875

Job Baker complained to Council that water was turned on his lot by Mr. Joseph Ritzell (119 Center St.)

Ordered that physicians in attendance on prisoners be allowed 75 cents per day and 25 cents for medicine, and for night visits not more than \$1.00.

Committee consisting of Messrs: Davis, Barrick and Shay appointed to inquire into propriety of purchasing the front of Mrs. Thompson's lot (This was Mrs. Thompson, the "Goose Woman", who lived at 121 N. Water Street) for the use of the corporation.

November 8, 1875

Gutters on Armstrong Street between Main and Water Streets to be cobblestoned.

Dr. Charles Hoffman was allowed \$11.95 for professional services.

Nov. 20, 1875

Smallpox was prevalent here. Compulsory vaccination ordered.

Nov. 22, 1875

John W. Jenkins was given a permit to sell liquor at his saloon on Main St. between Center and Armstrong Streets.

Nov. 29, 1875

The store license of Mr. Gilchrist was transferred to Mr. Williard.

Dec. 13, 1875

Hearing in the cause of Mr. Bowers against John H. Pain, the Town Sergeant, was taken up and the evidence of Mr. Jesse Leps on behalf of said Bowers was heard by the Council. Continued to the next meeting.

Employees paid for cobbling gutters - D. W. Wolford, J. H. Vernon, Charles Vest and J. W. Athey.

The front of Mrs. Thompson's lot, to be purchased for \$31.00.

December 27, 1875

Mr. Price (a lawyer) appeared and was heard on behalf of Mr. Bowers, and Mr. Wood Dailey (a lawyer) was heard on the behalf of the Sergeant, Mr. Pain. The Council being of the opinion that Mr. Pain was not acting in his capacity as Sergeant, therefore they had no jurisdiction in the case.

Ordered that Mr. Bowers be paid the 50 cents expended by him in summoning witnesses.



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Mrs. Thompson, the "Goose Woman", who lived at 121 N. Water Street) for the  
use of the corporation.

November 8, 1875

Cutters on Armstrong Street between Main and Water Streets to be  
copied.

Dr. Charles Hoffman was allowed \$11.25 for professional services.

Nov. 20, 1875

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Nov. 29, 1875

The store license of Mr. Glickler was transferred to Mr. Willard.

Dec. 13, 1875

Hearing in the case of Mr. Bowers against John H. Paine, the Town  
Sergeant, was taken up and the evidence of Mr. Jones laid on behalf of said  
Bowers was heard by the Council. Continued to the next meeting.

Employees paid for copying cutters - W. W. Wolford, J. H. Vernon,  
Charles West and J. W. Atchey.

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December 27, 1875

Mr. Price (a lawyer) appeared and was heard on behalf of Mr. Bowers  
and Mr. Wood Bailey (a lawyer) was heard on the behalf of the Sergeant, Mr. Paine.  
The Council being of the opinion that Mr. Paine was not acting in his capacity as  
Sergeant, therefore they had no jurisdiction in the case.

Ordered that Mr. Bowers be paid \$1.50 extra expended by him in  
summoning witnesses.



January 11, 1876

The results of the town election were reviewed, the vote as follows: -

for Mayor - J. T. Hoke, 159 votes - Elected.  
Joseph C. McCarty, 43 votes

for Recorder - Orlando Shay, 201 votes, Elected.

for Councilman - Thomas B. Davis, 157 votes, Elected  
T. E. McCoole, 195 votes, Elected  
Fred Huffman, 198 votes, Elected  
Andrew Grimes, 157 votes, Elected  
Wm. H. Jackson, 194 votes, Elected  
T. Gilmore, 26 votes  
Chas. Blondell, 19 votes

Jan. 24, 1876

Appointed a committee to consult with the County Court to see if the Council could use the room in the basement of the courthouse for meetings of the Council.

Feb. 2, 1876

Met to procure a suitable meeting place. Viewed rooms in the Sims building. (now 133 Armstrong St.)

Feb. 11th., 1876

Town Sergeant elected by the council, vote was  
George W. Parsons, 4 votes - Elected  
James Ruckman, 2 votes  
R. G. Richardson, 1 vote

Salary of the Mayor and of the Recorder fixed at \$50.00 per year.

Feb. 16, 1876

The Town Sergeant was authorized to purchase five Batoons and Badges for himself and the Police.

G. W. Paxton, having asked for a reduction of his assessment, the Finance Committee recommended that the Real Estate of the said Paxton be valued at \$1200.00, his personal property - 2 Horses at \$120.00  
3 Wagons, at \$100.00  
2 Time Pieces, at \$60.00  
Household and Kitchen Furniture, at \$200.00  
Total Personal Property, at \$480.00

Committee on Streets and Alleys ordered to inquire into the expediency of requiring all persons owning lots on the East side of Main St. between Armstrong & Piedmont Sts., to either have gravel or plank walks in front of same.



January 11, 1876

The results of the town election were as follows:

for Mayor - J. T. Hoke, 155 votes - Elected  
Joseph C. McCarty, 45 votes

for Recorder - Orlando Shady, 201 votes - Elected

for Councilman - Thomas S. Davis, 157 votes - Elected  
T. E. McCarty, 155 votes - Elected  
Fred Huffman, 151 votes - Elected  
Andrew Grimes, 157 votes - Elected  
Wm. H. Jackson, 154 votes - Elected  
T. Gilmore, 25 votes  
Chas. Rindell, 15 votes

Jan 24, 1876

Appointed a committee to consult with the County Court to see if the Council could use the room in the basement of the courthouse for meetings of the Council.

Feb. 2, 1876

Met to procure a suitable meeting place. Viewed rooms in the State Building. (now 133 Armstrong St.)

Feb. 11th, 1876

Town Sergeant elected by the Council vote was  
George W. Parsons, 4 votes - Elected  
James Ruckman, 3 votes  
R. G. Richardson, 1 vote

Salary of the Mayor and of the Recorder fixed at \$50.00 per year.

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3 Wagons, at \$100.00  
2 Tim Pikes, at \$50.00  
Household and Kitchen Furniture, at \$200.00  
Total Personal Property, at \$490.00  
Committee on Streets and Alleys ordered to inquire into the expediency of repaving all persons owning lots on the East side of Main St. between Armstrong & Piedmont Sts., to either have gravel or plank walks in front of same.



Feb. 21, 1876

The following were appointed Special Police: -

R. G. Richardson, Wm. Head, A. Holden and George P. Warner.

Ordered that the Council rent the room of Gilmore F. Sims, situated in the N. West corner of the Sims' building 133 Armstrong St., at the annual rent of \$75.00 for a meeting place for council.

It was ordered that a Theatrical performance be permitted to be given without payment of a license, in Frazier's Hall, corner of N. Church & Center Streets, for the benefit of the Independant Band of Keyser

March 27, 1876

The B. & O. R. R. made application to the council for two Special Police for the preservation of order at the Depot of said company in Keyser. The Council agreed and appointed - Cyrus Grimes and David Kalbaugh, upon condition that the B. & O. R. R. pay for and furnish them with Badges, Buttons, etc.

March 31, 1876

Tax on licenses fixed at, --

For selling wine, beer & ale - \$20.00, On spiritous liquors \$60.00.

All drummers selling goods, wares and merchandise within this town, must pay an annual license of \$2.50.

April 17, 1876

Liquor Licenses granted to: -

Z. P. Conway & Co. at store on Mineral St.

R. Lichtenstine, at his saloon, cor. of Davis & Center Sts.

W. E. Whitter, at the "Queens Point Restaurant", Armstrong St.

Wm. Brophy, at the "Pittsburg Saloon," Armstrong St.

Wm. T. McGahan, at the "City Hotel," Main & Armstrong Sts.

J. W. Junkins, at his saloon on Armstrong St.

James E. Keenan, at his saloon, cor. of Davis & Armstrong Sts.

John W. Perry, at the "New Creek Hotel," near the railroad.

John Melody, at his store on Armstrong St.

Edward Kelley, at a building at corner of Armstrong & Mineral Sts.

John W. Keys, at the "Keys House," cor. of East & Armstrong Sts.

Each was to furnish \$500.00 bond.







April 24, 1876

Messers, Huffman, Jackson & Grimes were appointed to find the cost of building a bridge over New Creek in front of Mr. Moss's Store, cor. of Armstrong and Water Sts.

The following liquor store licenses and their security bondsmen were presented: -

R. Lichtenstine, John W. Keys, Security  
John Melody, Edward Kelley, Security  
John W. Perry, Amos Umstott, Security  
John W. Keys, Arnold Gerstell, M. D., Security  
James E. Keenan, Lemuel Spicer, Security  
W. E. Whitter, James I. Barrick, Security  
Edward Kelley, John Melody, Security  
W. T. McGahan, Wm. M. Welch, Security

Application of Mr. Herbert Moss, for permission to remove his building from Armstrong St. to Main St., was granted, the said building to be removed with as little delay as possible.

May 1st., 1876

Liquor license bonds given as follows: -

E. Brophy - J. E. Keenan, Security  
J. W. Jenkins, A. McDermitt, Security  
Z. P. Conaway & Co., Jeremiah Wells, Security

Committee reported a bridge over New Creek near H. Moss's Store estimated to cost \$40.00.

Permission given J. H. Ashfield (a cripple) to exhibit his hobby horses free of a town license.

May 8th., 1876

An unknown man was found sick in the street. Ordered Sergeant to take him to the jail and see he was cared for.

June 12, 1876

Application of Robert Burkhizer and others for opening of an alley, parallel with Water St. at rear of their lots was refused.







June 26, 1876

It was ordered that Mr. Joseph Ritzell be authorized to construct a drain through the Lots of Tobias Baker, George T. Carskadon & Jesse Cunningham, at such points as they may designate in the rear of their dwellings, and in the event of the said Ritzell not constructing said drain, then Mr. Baker is authorized to close up the Old Ditch under his, Baker's, house by which said Ritzell's cellar is now drained on said Baker's Lot. Provided, however, that the said Ritzell shall have 10 days from date hereof to construct said drain.

July 10, 1876

Employees of town ordered paid for work --

W. N. Athey, self & team -----	\$71.50
John Blowers, working on street	7.50
A. W. Cooper, " " "	7.50
Frank Emsweyler, " " "	7.50
Westley Devour " " "	1.25
C. F. Miles " " "	3.79
Simon Rudolph & Co. for stove, stovepipe, coal skuttle for the Council Room	17.96

Aug. 14, 1876

Ordered that the Sheriff be notified of the condition of the Privy in the Court house Square and request him to confer with the Court in regard to removal of same.

Sept. 25, 1876

Paid \$100.00 to Vernon & Kennedy (J. H. Vernon) on account for curbing done by them on Armstrong St.

Bills paid --- Jerry Williams, labor	\$13.43
Joseph Knight, repairing bridge	1.00
H. Maxfield, " "	1.00

Oct. 16, 1876

Committee on Streets requested to inquire into the expediency of placing stepping stones at certain street crossings.

Paid Barber Stewart for work on curb on Main St. - \$4.00

Nov. 13, 1876

Paid Wm. Plush for cobblestone & work on Armstrong St. - \$ 50.75



June 28, 1878

It was ordered that Mr. Joseph Hittell be authorized to construct a drain through the lots of John Baker, George T. Conkerton & John Cunningham, at such points as they may designate in the rear of said dwellings, and in the event of the said Hittell not constructing said drain, then Mr. Baker is authorized to close up the Old Birch with his, Baker's, house by which said Hittell's cellar is now drained on said Baker's lot. Provided, however, that the said Hittell shall have 10 days from date aforesaid to construct said drain.

July 10, 1878

Employees of town ordered paid for work --

W. H. Arroy, self & team	71.50
John Blowers, working on street	7.50
A. W. Cooper	7.50
Frank Greenway	7.50
Wesley Devore	1.25
C. F. Miles	3.75
Simon Knudsen & Co. for stove, stoves, and stoves for the	19.50
General Bond	

Aug. 10, 1878

Ordered that the Sheriff be notified of the condition of the party in the Court house square and request him to confer with the Court in regard to removal of same.

Sept. 25, 1878

Paid \$100.00 to V. Brown & Kennedy (J. H. Vernon) on account for carrying done by them on Armstrong St.

Bills paid --	
John Knight, repairs bridge	1.00
H. H. Hildre	1.00
John Williams, labor	13.43

Oct. 10, 1878

Committed on streets requested to divide into the responsibility of placing stepping stones at certain street crossings.

Paid Bart & Stewart for work on camp on Main St. - \$4.00

Nov. 15, 1878

Paid Mr. Pugh for cobblestone & work on Armstrong St. - \$20.75



Jan. 21, 1877

Election of Town Officials: -

Mayor - Orlando Shay - 139 votes - (Elected)  
Washington Moseley - 65 votes  
Amos Umstott - 19 votes

Recorder - George E. Price - 138 votes (elected)  
Thomas Thatcher - 81 votes

Councilmen - Wm. T. Head - 144 votes - elected  
Henry W. Baker - 136 votes, elected  
Samuel E. Dixon - 134 votes, elected  
T. E. Funk - 127 votes, elected  
John Hughes - 166 votes, elected  
C. E. Blondell - 101 votes  
George Wolfe - 96 votes  
H. Maxfield - 86 votes  
D. D. Fukes - 80 votes  
Geo. T. Carskadon - 79 votes

Feb. 5th., 1877

Appointed C. W. Burke, Town Sergeant.

Committee consisting of John Hughes, Henry W. Baker and S. G. Dixon appointed to consider the practicability of establishing Street Lamps through the town and also whether the residents in the different localities where it may be deemed desirable to put such lamps, will agree to furnish the oil necessary for same.

March 5, 1877

Committee on Street Lamps reported lamps could be bought in Baltimore or here at \$5.00 each. Comm. instructed to provide as many lamps as may be sufficient for present use.

Sergeant C. W. Burke furnished bond with John Melody & Dr. Thomas H. West as securities.

April 23, 1877

George C. Emmert was employed to do certain work on Church St. at cost of \$1.25.

Those applying for liquor licenses were: -

Edward Allen, at Restaurant, Cor. of Center & Davis Sts.  
Z. P. Conway, at store on Mineral St.  
Edward Kelley, at saloon on Armstrong St.  
John W. Keys, at Keys House Hotel, Armstrong St.  
W. T. McGahan, at City Hotel, cor. Main & Armstrong St.



Jan. 21, 1877

Election of Town Officials:  
Noyes - Orlando May - 132 votes - (1st round)  
Washington May - 65 votes  
Lynn May - 29 votes

Recorder - George E. Fitch - 132 votes (1st round)  
Thomas Thacher - 81 votes

Cornellman - Wm. T. Ward - 144 votes - 1st round  
Harry W. Baker - 132 votes - 1st round  
Samuel L. Dixon - 132 votes - 1st round  
T. F. Park - 132 votes - 1st round  
John H. Jones - 100 votes - 1st round  
G. E. Fitch - 101 votes  
George Wells - 90 votes  
H. H. Fitch - 88 votes  
H. H. Fitch - 80 votes  
G. E. Fitch - 79 votes

Feb. 25, 1877

Appointed G. E. Fitch, 1st Secretary  
Committee consisting of John Baker, Henry A. Baker and S. G. Dixon  
appointed to consider the propriety of establishing street lamps through the  
town and also whether the residents in the different localities where it may be  
deemed desirable to put such lamps, will agree to furnish the oil necessary for same.

March 2, 1877

Committee on Street Lamps reported lamps could be bought in Baltimore  
at more or less than \$5.00 each. (Lamp introduced to avoid as many lamps as may be  
sufficient for present use.)

Resolved C. W. Jones furnished lamp with lamp holder & Dr. Thomas A.  
West as recorder.

April 23, 1877

George C. Fitch was employed to do certain work on March 21st  
cost of \$1.25.

Those applying for liquor licenses were:  
Edward Allen, at Restaurant, Cor. of Center & Davis Streets  
J. H. C. Smith, at store on Central St.  
Edward K. Fitch, at school on Armstrong St.  
John W. Kays, at Kays Home Hotel, Armstrong St.  
W. T. Rogers, at City Hotel, Cor. Main & Armstrong St.



April 23, 1877 (continued)

Letitia Pennington, at the New Creek Hotel, Mozelle St.  
W. E. Whitter, at Queen's Point House & Restaurant, Armstrong St.

W. E. Whitter was given permission to put a bay window in a building which he proposes to erect on his lot between his present saloon known as the "Queen's Point House" and the "Simm's Building" (The Simms Bldg. is at 133 Armstrong St.), on Armstrong St., provided said bay window shall not extend over the sidewalk more than 16 inches.

April 26, 1877

Joel Pennington furnished bond for Letitia Pennington for liquor license.

W. S. Ervin and the firm of Hoffman Brothers were granted permit to operate the business of druggist, Ervin & C. S. Hoffman being fully qualified to carry on the business of druggist, store to be on Main St.

Curbing put in by George W. Betts: -  
161 ft. 2 in. around lot of M. E. Church, cor. Main & Center Sts.  
72 ft. 2 in. around Parker lot, cor. of Water & Armstrong Sts.  
22 ft. 6 in. in front of Mrs. Thompson's Lot, Water St.

Wm. Brophy given a liquor license at his Saloon on North side of Armstrong St., near the Railroad Passenger Depot, recently occupied by J. W. Jenkins.

June 19, 1877

Comm. appointed to confer with the Commissioners of the County Court in relation to the construction of a bridge across New Creek near Parker's Store, corner of Water & Armstrong Sts.

July 2, 1877

Ordered that \$2.00 be charged to the taxes of Thomas Ludwick for expense by Corporation in having his Privies cleaned out.

July 16, 1877

Due to excitement incident to the "Strike" of employees at the B. & O. R.R., the Council asks Keepers of Barrooms & Saloons to close same whenever asked to do so by the Mayor.

July 23, 1877

W. T. McGahan's liquor license transferred to Con. Moran.



April 23, 1877 (continued)

Latitia Pennington, at the New Creek Hotel, Memphis, Tenn.  
W. E. Whitaker, at Queen's Point Hotel, Armstrong St.

W. E. Whitaker was given permission to put a bay window in a building which he proposes to erect on his lot between the existing railroad known as the Queen's Point Hotel and the Queen's Point Hotel, known as at 133 Armstrong St., on Armstrong St., provided said bay window shall not extend over the side-  
walk more than 18 inches.

April 26, 1877

Joel Pennington furnished bonds for Latitia Pennington for liquor license.

W. S. Davis and the firm of Pennington & Co. were granted permits to operate the business of drugists. Davis & Co. license being fully qualified to carry on the business of drugists, store at 133 Armstrong St.

Grading put in by George W. Davis & Co.  
181 ft. 3 in. gravel for W. E. Whitaker, at 133 Armstrong St.  
73 ft. 2 in. gravel for W. E. Whitaker, at 133 Armstrong St.  
22 ft. 1 in. in front of W. E. Whitaker's lot, W. E. St.

Wm. Murphy given a liquor license. His license on North side of Armstrong St., near the Railroad crossing. Wm. Murphy occupied by J. W. Jenkins.

June 19, 1877

Com. appointed to confer with the owners of the County Court in relation to the construction of a bridge across New Creek near Latitia's property corner of Water & Armstrong St.

July 2, 1877

Ordered that \$5.00 be charged to the name of Thomas Ludwig for expenses by Corporation in having his Privet cleaned out.

July 18, 1877

Due to excitement incident to the trial of employees at the S. O. R. E. the Council asked Messrs. of Messrs. to appear in person, whenever asked to do so by the Mayor.

July 20, 1877

W. T. Jackson's liquor license transferred to Con. Davis.



Aug. 6, 1877

In consequence of the disorder & excitement connected with the recent railroad strike troubles, the Mayor had appointed a number of special police, - on Monday, last, he appointed 5 policemen & on Monday night 12 policemen.

It was ordered that those who served as day police be paid \$1.25 per day, and those appointed night police be paid \$1.50 per night.

The day police were: -

James Virts - 6 days -	\$7.50
Wm. Brophy - 4 days	5.00
James Carskadon - 1 day	1.25
J. R. Carskadon - 1 day	1.25
John Cain - 1 day -	1.25
J. H. Payne - 1 day	1.25

The night police were:

D. G. Miers	Ham. Mitchell
John Miers	John C. Payne
John Miller	George W. Paxton
T. E. Wilson	
D. F. Johnson	
Samuel Johnson	
J. R. Carskadon	
T. J. Martin	
James Carskadon	
John Cain	

Aug. 16, 1877

Sergeant C. W. Burke being unable to furnish required bond, his office was declared vacant and Wm. H. Head was appointed Sergeant by the Council - the other candidate for same office was Tobias Baker.

Sept. 24, 1877

Ordered that the Bridge be built across New Creek at end of Armstrong St. (at corner of Armstrong & North Water Sts.). The Town to pay 1/2 of the cost which amounts to \$495.00.

Bills Ordered Paid

L. J. Rector & Geo. Eyerman, plank side walks	\$269.85
Geo. Emmert, 15 days work on streets	18.75
D. Davis & Son, meat account	5.57
John G. Koeltz - bread, etc.	1.45
Jacob Sager, 1 day digging ditch	1.25
Anthony Reed, jail account, keeping prisoners	29.50
Tobias Baker & Co. - repairing jail window	4.75
Wm. Brophy, police duty Aug. 6th. to Aug. 20 at \$1.25	17.50
Joseph Moody, plowing streets, hauling rocks	20.15
Simon Rudolph & Co. goods furnished smallpox patient	6.96
Henry W. Baker, lumber " " "	24.35
Hoke & Gosorn, Publishing ordinances	5.00



Aug. 6, 1877

In consequence of the disaster & excitement connected with the recent  
police strike, the Mayor and aldermen have decided to call out the police - on  
Monday last he requested a policeman to on duty night police men.

It was ordered that those who arrived on duty night be paid \$1.25 per  
day, and those appointed night police be paid \$1.25 per day.

The day police were:-  
James Virts - 6 days - \$7.50  
Wm. Brophy - 2 days - 2.00  
James Garabedian - 1 day - 1.25  
J. R. Garabedian - 1 day - 1.25  
John Cain - 1 day - 1.25  
J. M. Byrne - 1 day - 1.25

The night police were:-  
B. C. Miller  
John Miller  
John Miller  
J. L. Wilson  
J. P. Johnson  
Samuel Johnson  
J. R. Garabedian  
T. L. Martin  
James Garabedian  
John Cain

Aug. 10, 1877

Sergeant C. J. Garabedian being unable to furnish required bond, his office  
was declared vacant and Wm. H. Garabedian was appointed sergeant by the Council - the  
other candidates for same office was J. L. Martin.

Sept. 24, 1877

Ordered that the bridge be built across New Creek at end of First-Long  
St. (at corner of Lawrence & North Water Sts.), the Town to pay 1/2 of the  
cost which amounts to \$25.00.

Bills Ordered Paid

\$200.00	B. J. Reston & Co. Lumber, plank also within
18.75	Good Lumber 15 days work on streets
6.87	D. Davis & Son, meat market
1.45	John G. Kozier - bread, etc.
1.25	Joseph Beger, 1 day digging ditch
20.50	Anthony Reed, jail account, keeping prisoners
9.75	Tobias Baker & Co. - repairing jail window
17.50	Wm. Brophy, police duty Aug. 29 at \$1.25
20.15	Joseph Moody, plowing streets, hauling rocks
4.95	Simon Rudolph & Co. goods furnished jail on patients
24.32	Henry W. Eddy, lumber
2.00	Hok & Gosorn, furnishing ordinance



Sept. 24, 1877 (continued)

## Bills ordered paid (continued)

George E. Leps, goods furnished small pox patient	4.88
Dr. Arnold Gerstell, visits to	10.00
Dr. Thomas H. West,	10.00
Dr. W. D. Ervin, medicine	1.05
John Hughes, bedspread & mattress for small pox patient	3.50
Charles E. Blondell, 4 lamps for streets	20.00
C. W. Burke, goods furnished & services rendered	24.35
John W. Keys, whiskey	2.10

Oct. 1, 1877

Bills presented for Geo. C. Emmert, for removing rock in front of the	
M. E. Church, South	\$1.50
Removing rock in front of lot formerly owned by Silas Atkins, now Ryan	
& Hogan	-.69¢
Removing gravel in front of Mrs. Murphy's Lot #206	-.44¢
Removing gravel in front of Mrs. Hannah Barrick's Lot #205	-.44¢
Removing gravel in front of T. B. Davis Lot	.25

Jan. 13, 1878

Result of the election of Town Officers:

Mayor - W. Athey - 115 votes - elected  
Joseph C. McCarty - 112 votes

Recorder - James H. Jones - 142 votes - elected  
Nimrod Paris - 94 votes

Councilmen - F. M. Reynolds - 158 votes - elected  
Thos. B. Davis - 144 votes - elected  
B. Huggins - 223 votes - elected  
T. E. McCoolle - 224 votes - elected  
Fred Huffman - 227 votes - elected  
John Miller - 95 votes  
A. C. Dunbrack - 84 votes  
C. E. Blondell - 4 votes  
Augustus Wells - 4 votes  
Philip Doffert - 3 votes  
Silas M. Atkins - 1 vote  
John Hughes - 1 vote  
D. T. Rupel - 1 vote

Jan. 28, 1878

Gravel put on walk in front of Mary Hughes' on Main Street.



Billie ordered paid (continued)

George E. Lapee	goods furnished small box	1.00
Dr. Arnold G. G. G. G.	visit to	1.00
Dr. Thomas H. West		1.00
Dr. W. D. E. E.	medicine	1.00
John Hughes	bedspread & mattress for small box	1.00
Charles E. E. E.	lamps for streets	1.00
C. W. E. E.	goods furnished & services rendered	1.00
John W. E. E.	whiskey	1.00

Oct. 1. 1877

Billie presented for Geo. E. E. E. for removing rock in front of the  
 H. E. Church, South  
 Removing rock in front of lot formerly owned by Elias Atkins, now Ryan  
 & Hogan - 1.00  
 Removing gravel in front of Mrs. Murphy's lot 1800 - 1.00  
 Removing gravel in front of Mrs. Hannah E. E. E. lot 1800 - 1.00  
 Removing gravel in front of T. D. E. E. lot 1800 - 1.00

Jan. 13. 1878

Result of the election of Town Officers:

Mayor - W. Athey - 112 votes - elected  
 Joseph C. McCarty - 112 votes

Recorder - James H. Jones - 142 votes - elected  
 James E. E. E. - 94 votes

Councilmen - F. M. E. E. E. - 158 votes - elected  
 Thos. E. E. E. - 144 votes - elected  
 J. E. E. E. - 128 votes - elected  
 T. E. E. E. - 124 votes - elected  
 Fred Hoffman - 127 votes - elected  
 John Miller - 95 votes  
 A. C. E. E. E. - 84 votes  
 C. E. E. E. E. - 4 votes  
 E. E. E. E. E. - 4 votes  
 Philip E. E. E. - 3 votes  
 Elias M. Atkins - 1 vote  
 John Hughes - 1 vote  
 D. T. E. E. E. - 1 vote

Jan. 28. 1878

Gravel put on walk in front of Mary Hughes' on Main Street.



Jan. 31, 1878

Bills due - W. H. Head, Frank Redaker, Edw. Robey, Wm. Brophy, Wm. N. Athey, Dr. Thos. H. West and Dr. R. Gerstell.

Feb. 9, 1878

Applications for Town Sergeant were received in writing from: -  
John H. Payne, Tobias Baker, Levi N. Burk, Wm. Brophy and James W. Virtz.

Feb. 23, 1878

Paid - Jarrett D. Merryman, for 3½ days work on street	\$ 7.87½
J. W. Athey                   "   "   "   "   "   "	4.37½
Hannibal Parker	3.50
Town Sergeant elected: - Wm. Brophy, 4 votes	
Tobias Baker, 2 votes	

Feb. 28, 1878

Wm. Brophy's bond of \$3,000.00 as Town Sergeant was furnished by  
John W. Keys, J. E. Keenan, J. C. Moody and George E. Leps

March 23, 1878

Wm. Brophy resigned as Town Sergeant.

April 13, 1878

Wm. Virtz appointed Sergeant.

April 24, 1878

Druggist Licenses given to Dr. J. W. C. Hall and to Hoffman Brothers.

July 13, 1878

Gilmore T. Sims granted permission to erect a plank awning in front of  
his building on Armstrong St.

August 3, 1878

James I. Barrick et al. petitioned Council to provide buckets, hooks,  
ladders, etc. to equip a Hook & Ladder Co.

Oct. 5, 1878

Bills Paid: - David G. Miers, for arrests	\$2.75
Levi Seyvers (Sievers) 9½ days work on Street	9.50
Perry Stickley 6½ days work on street	6.50
John W. Athey 11½ days work on street	14.06
George W. Gull, 3 days work on street	3.00
Wm. Funkhouser, 9 days work on street	9.00
Andrew Grimes 8 days work on st. with a horse	18.00
John P. Arnold, hauling rock for street	4.50
Wm. K. Barrick 7½ days work on street	7.50
Madison Tross, 1 day work on street	1.00







Dec. 21, 1878

David Long, Herbert Moss, John W. Miers were appointed commissioners of Town election.

Ruben Mohler was paid for 3/4 days work on street .75¢

Jan. 4, 1879

Result of Election - Mayor, Wm. M. Welch, 150 votes, elected  
John W. Athey - 6 votes  
Dr. N. V. Neal, 2 votes

Recorder - J. B. O. Clemm, 160 votes, elected  
James H. Jones - 77 votes

Councilmen - F. M. Reynolds - 147 votes, elected  
Thos. B. Davis - 122 votes, elected  
B. Huggins, 132 votes, elected  
T. E. McCoole - 134 votes, elected  
Fred Huffman - 137 votes, elected  
T. R. Adams, 43 votes  
H. Maxfield - 53 votes  
Daniel T. Greenwade - 42 votes  
James Dunn - 42 votes  
Nimrod Paris - 41 votes

At this election the question of permitting the keeping of hogs and pigs within the town limits was voted on,

The result was: - In favor of "Hog In" - 93 votes  
In favor of "Hog Out" - 69 votes.

March 1st., 1879

Purchase of a Hook & Ladder apparatus for the Fire Co. ordered, the cost not to exceed \$300.00.

April 19, 1879

Drs. J. W. C. Hall & W. D. Ewen (for Hoffman Brothers) were granted druggist licenses.

June 7, 1879

Paid J. D. Merryman for use of Horse & Cart on Streets \$2.25  
Councilman T. E. McCoole resigned.  
(Col. T. E. McCoole, son of John & Cassandra McCoole, died 12/29/1889 age 61 yrs.)

June 18, 1879

Election held to fill vacant post of councilman caused by resignation of T. E. McCoole. Result was W. A. (Gus) Wells - 126 votes (elected)  
A. C. Dunbrack - 104 votes



Dec. 21, 1878

David Long, Herbert Ross, John W. Hiers were appointed commissioners on town election.

Ruben Holsie was paid for 34 days work on street.

Jan. 4, 1879

Result of Election - Mayor, Wm. M. Holsie, 189 votes, elected.  
John W. Holsie - 9 votes  
Dr. M. V. Holsie, 3 votes

Recorder - J. B. O. O'Brien, 100 votes, elected.  
James H. Jones - 77 votes

Councilman - E. W. Reynolds - 184 votes, elected.  
Thos. B. Davis - 182 votes, elected.  
B. J. Holsie, 182 votes, elected.  
T. E. Holsie - 134 votes, elected.  
T. J. Holsie - 137 votes, elected.  
T. B. Holsie, 83 votes.  
H. Holsie, 82 votes.  
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At this election the question of permitting the keeping of pigs and pigs within the town limits was voted on.

The result was: - In favor of "No" - 33 votes.  
In favor of "Yes" - 43 votes.

March 1st, 1879

Purchase of a horse & harness apparatus for the fire Co., ordered. The cost not to exceed \$500.00.

April 1st, 1879

Dr. J. W. C. Holsie & W. D. Holsie (for Holsie Brothers) were granted a license to practice.

June 7, 1879

Paul J. D. Holsie for use of horse & cart on street.  
Councilman T. E. Holsie resigned.  
(Col. T. E. Holsie, son of John E. Holsie, died 12/29/1889  
age 61 yrs.)

June 18, 1879

Election held to fill vacant seat of councilman caused by resignation of T. E. Holsie. Result was: W. A. (Gus) Holsie - 180 votes (elected).  
A. C. Campbell - 104 votes.



Oct. 4, 1879

J. D. Merryman, paid for work on streets - \$2.25

Nov. 1, 1879

Petition of S. H. Mullineaux et al. that a board walk be made on St. Cloud St. from Miss Maggie Sheetz's residence to Mineral St. (Miss Maggie's home was then at the southeast corner of St. Cloud & B Streets.)

Nov. 28, 1879

Dr. W. D. Ewen was given a license to operate a drug store of his own on Main St.

Jan. 3, 1880

Result of election - Mayor - Wm. M. Welch, 155 votes - Elected  
Joseph C. McCarty, 120 votes

Recorder- J. B. O. Clemm, 140 votes - Elected  
R. W. Swift - 135 votes

Councilmen - T. B. Davis - 250 votes - Elected  
F. M. Reynolds - 170 votes Elected  
W. A. Welk - 148 votes - Elected  
Fred Huffman - 143 votes - Elected  
B. Huggins - 140 votes - Elected  
David Lynn - 138 votes  
Harry Vernon - 128 votes  
H. Maxfield - 128 votes  
A. C. Dunbrack - 109 votes

S. M. Atkins was appointed Town Sergeant.

On the question of issuing liquor licenses there were:

For License - 61 votes  
Against License - 153 votes

J. D. Merryman (used by T. B. Davis), was paid for street work \$1.62

Jan. 17, 1880

Rev. J. M. Clymer (pastor of the Presbyterian Church) asked to be released for payment of the dog tax.

Feb. 7, 1880

J. H. Markwood asked permission to erect a porch in front of his dwelling on Main St. above Piedmont St.

May 1st., 1880

Paid J. D. Merryman for work on street (use of T. B. Frye) \$14.06  
Paid J. D. Merryman for work on street (use of T. B. Frye) 5.44



Oct. 4, 1872

J. D. Newmyer, paid for work on streets - \$2.25

Nov. 1, 1872

Location of S. H. Williamson at 21. West a board walk made of st. Cloud St. from Miss Maggie Foster's residence to Mineral St. (Miss Maggie's home was then at the southeast corner of St. Cloud & 2 streets.)

Nov. 28, 1872

Dr. H. D. Owen was given a license to operate a drug store of his own on Main St.

Jan. 3, 1880

Result of Election - Mayor - Wm. H. Welch 155 votes - Elected  
Joseph C. McNulty 129 votes

Recorder - J. H. O. Clum 140 votes - Elected  
E. P. Smith 138 votes

Councilman - T. B. Davis - 250 votes - Elected  
T. B. Reynolds - 170 votes Elected  
W. A. Smith - 148 votes - Elected  
Fred Hoffman - 145 votes - Elected  
D. Higgins - 140 votes - Elected  
David Ryan - 138 votes  
Harry Vernon - 138 votes  
H. Smith - 128 votes  
A. C. Campbell - 102 votes

E. M. Atkins was appointed Town Sergeant.

On the question of issuing liquor licenses there were:

For license - 61 votes  
Against license - 153 votes

J. D. Newmyer (and J. B. Davis) was paid for street work \$1.52

Jan. 17, 1880

Rev. J. H. Dwyer (pastor of the Presbyterian Church) asked to be released for payment of the dog tax.

Feb. 7, 1880

J. H. Markwood asked permission to erect a porch in front of his dwelling on Main St. above Piedmont St.

May 1st, 1880

Paid J. D. Newmyer for work on street (use of T. B. Davis) \$14.00  
Paid J. D. Newmyer for work on street (use of T. B. Davis) \$2.48



March 3, 1883

Ordered that a street lamp be put up near Mr. Crawford's Store (Cor. W. Piedmont & James Sts.), one at Mr. Nine's corner (Mineral & Piedmont Sts.) and one at the railroad crossing near Mr. J. Leps' Store ( at the N. Water St. Crossing of the B. & O. R. R.), said Crawford, Nine & Leps to keep the lamps filled with oil & lighted during business hours at night.

A stone walk be put across alley west of Mrs. McGahn's Hotel & Saloon (Armstrong St.).

April 7, 1883

Refused a liquor license to Cornelius Moran.

April 13, 1883

Street lamps ordered put at corner of Piedmont & Main Sts., at Huggin's corner (corner of Orchard & W. Piedmont Sts.), one at corner of Mineral and Armstrong Sts., and one at Dr. Hoffman's corner (Corner of Center & South Sts.) and one on Church St.

May 8, 1883

Street lamp lighting let - 18 lamps to be cleaned and kept filled with oil. Contract let to W. N. Athey at \$9.99 per month. Oil to be furnished by John Hughes at 8½ cents per gallon.

June 2, 1883

C. E. Brant asked permission to put a bay window in the house of Dr. H. V. Neale (92 N. Main St.), the window to extend out from building 8-9 inches.

Ordered that all the street lamps on Armstrong St., the lamps at Car-skadon's Store, corner of Center & Main Sts., and the lamp at Nine's Corner (Piedmont & Mineral Sts.) be kept burning all night, All other street lamps to be extinguished at 10 o'clock each night.

June 14, 1883

A Town Privy Cart, built by A. P. Ritzell, at cost of \$40.00 plus \$20.00 for movable bed, was authorized paid for.

Feb. 2, 1884

A liquor license was refused Mrs. Mary A. McGahn for her house on Armstrong St.

A liquor license was granted Mrs. Julia Haughton at her house (Cor. of Armstrong & Main Sts., ) and to John H. Ashfield at his house, and to several others.

Feb. 4, 1884

Mrs. Mary A. McGahn was granted a hotel license for her hotel on Armstrong St.







July 3rd., 1880 (Special Meeting)

W. B. Lauck granted permission to put a bay window in front of his dwelling on Main St. (19 N. Main St.) to extend 2 feet over the regular building level.

Feb. 6, 1882

Council accepted offer of Mr. Hoffman to rent a room from him at \$48.00 per year for a meeting place. (This was Rev. Henry Hoffman, Southern Methodist preacher who lived at 120 Armstrong St. The room was the building in which the Shinn Insurance Agency now is, at 116 Armstrong St.)

March 4, 1882

Crossing stepping-stones or flag stones ordered laid at corner of Main and Armstrong Sts., and at St. Cloud St. on west side of Orchard St., across the alley at the residence of Dr. Chapman on Orchard St., also at Dixon's Store, at Carrigans house and at corner of Sim's Row (Sim's Row was Gilmore St.)

April 11, 1882

Hotel licenses issued to John Keyes, Keyes House, Armstrong St.  
Cornelias Moran, City Hotel, Armstrong St.  
James E. Keenan, Hotel on Armstrong St.  
Mrs. S. M. Frye, at Residence on Center St.  
John W. Perry, in Carskadon Bldg., corner of Main  
& Center Sts.

May 6, 1882

John Hughes ordered to repair the sidewalk in front of his lot on Armstrong St., adjoining Suter & Minshall's. Paid John W. Arnold, Jailer, for board for G. H. Reynolds \$1.00. Paid J. D. Merryman, for work \$21.62.

Dec. 2, 1882

John Hughes asked Town for \$60.00 assistance in paying for a foot bridge across New Creek, a bridge he had already built. He was granted \$40.00.

Feb. 3, 1883

Wages fixed for town employees, per day: -  
2 horses, wagon & driver - \$3.50  
Plow (2 horses) & driver \$3.25  
Day laborers - \$1.25  
Foreman - \$1.40  
Horse, cart & man driver - \$2.50  
Horse, cart & boy driver - \$2.25

Accepted the room, owned by Rev. Henry Hoffman, occupied by the Town for the past year, for its meeting place, for the ensuing year, rent to be \$50.00 per year.



July 1st, 1883 (Continued)

W. D. Lusk granted permission to put a bay window in front of his dwelling on Main St. (112 N. Main St.) to extend 2 feet over the regular building level.

Feb. 8, 1883

Council accepted offer of Mr. Hoffman to rent a room from him at \$45.00 per year for a meeting place. (This was Rev. Henry Hoffman, Southern Methodist preacher who lived at 120 Armstrong St. The room was the building in which the Smith Insurance Agency now is, at 118 Armstrong St.)

March 4, 1883

Crossing stepping-stones on the stones ordered laid at corner of Main and Armstrong Sts., and at St. Cloud St. on west side of Orchard St. across the alley at the residence of Dr. Chapman on Orchard St., also at Lusk's Store, at Carvins home and at corner of St. A. Row (St. A. Row was Carvins St.)

April 11, 1883

Hotel licenses issued to John Hayes, Keyes Hotel, Armstrong St.  
Carmichael Hotel, City Hotel, Armstrong St.  
James E. Keane, Hotel on Armstrong St.  
Mrs. E. M. Lusk, at residence on Center St.  
John W. Farney, in Cantonment High, corner of Main & Center Sts.

May 6, 1883

John Hughes ordered to repair the sidewalk in front of his lot on Armstrong St., adjoining Street & Main Sts. Paid John A. Amold, John A. Amold for C. H. Reynolds \$1.00. Paid J. B. Henryman for work \$21.82.

Dec. 7, 1883

John Hughes asked Town for \$60.00 assistance in paying for a foot bridge across New Creek, a bridge he had already built. He was granted \$60.00.

Feb. 5, 1883

Wages fixed for town employees, per day: -  
1 horse, wagon & driver - \$2.50  
2 horses & driver - \$3.25  
day laborer - \$1.25  
foreman - \$1.40  
horse, cart & man driver - \$2.50  
horse, cart & boy driver - \$2.25

Accepted the road, owned by Rev. Henry Hoffman, conveyed by the town for the past year, for its meeting place, for the ensuing year, rent to be \$20.00 per year.



Dec. 13, 1884

The school building facing the Court House Square (present site of Ludwick's Garage, 107 West St.) was considered for the use as a Town Hall.

May 1st., 1885

Armstrong St. was ordered extended across New Creek through the farm of Mr. Joseph Arnold.

March 8, 1886

Order passed to buy the building occupied by S. See, as a chair factory, situated on the corner of Center & Mineral Sts. (now the site of the Fire Hall), for \$600.00, on Town Lots No. 158 & 159, for use as a Council Chamber.

Jan. 3, 1887

Paid for the 2 lots, No. 158 & 159 (above mentioned) with the building thereon - \$604.26, and for recording same \$1.25.

Feb. 11, 1887

F. Lemuel Kimmel, who occupied the front room of the (above mentioned Council House) Council House, was asked to move as soon as possible.

April 2, 1887

Recommended to the County Court that the following be granted license to deal in & sell manufactured tobacco, cigars & snuff: -

D. E. McGinis	Eli F. Nine	Charles Wollerton
Halbritter & Kephart	J. G. Thalaker	C. T. carskadon & Co.
Thomas Crawford	W. H. Nefflen	Isaac M. Long

Druggist licenses issued to Dr. J. W. C. Hall & Thomas C. Elliott.

April 8, 1887

Miss Ella Whitford was granted permission to erect a stoop over her front door on Piedmont St., which would extend about 2 ft. over the sidewalk.

John Hughes was willing that the street lamp on the corner of Water & Center Sts., in front of his store be moved across the street to in front of J. H. Markwood's furniture store, on same corner.

The Keyser Brass Band applied for permission to meet for practice in the Council Chamber on Monday & Wednesday nights.

April 2, 1888

It was ordered that Dr. J. W. C. Hall, Thos. C. Elliott, and Hubert Moss, who are registered pharmacists under the law of the State of West Virginia, be granted druggist licenses.



Dec. 13, 1886

The school building facing the Court House (present site of  
Indwick's Garage, 174 West St.) was considered for the use as a town hall.

May 1st, 1887

Mr. Joseph Arnold.  
Attention - 2nd Ward - extended across New Street through the form of

March 8, 1888

Order passed to pay the building occupied by St. Ann, as a church factory,  
situated on the corner of Center & Third St. (now the site of the First Hall),  
for \$800.00, on Town lots nos. 108 & 109, for use as a Council Chamber.

Jan. 3, 1887

Ord for the 2nd lot, No. 158 & 159 (above mentioned) with the building  
thereon - 1887, and for recording same \$1.25.

Feb. 11, 1887

F. Samuel Daniel, who occupied the front room of the (above mentioned  
Council House) Council room, was asked to move as soon as possible.

April 2, 1887

Recommended by the County Court that the following be granted license to  
deal in a well manufactured tobacco, cigars & snuff -

Charles Wolfson	W. E. McElaine
C. T. Conkerson & Co.	Belknap & Co.
Isaac H. Long	Thomas Crawford
W. E. McElaine	W. E. McElaine
W. E. McElaine	W. E. McElaine

Druggist license issued to Dr. W. E. Hall & Thomas G. Miller.

April 6, 1887

John H. Hughes was granted permission to erect a stoop over his  
front door on Third St., which would extend about 2 ft. over the sidewalk.

John Hughes was willing that the street lamp on the corner of Water &  
Center St., in front of his store be moved across the street to in front of  
J. H. Markwood's Furniture Store, on same corner.

The Mayor has been granted permission to erect for practice in  
the Council Chamber on Monday, a Wednesday night.

April 2, 1887

It was ordered that Dr. W. E. Hall, Thos. G. Elliott, and Robert  
Hess, who are registered pharmacists under the law of the State of West Virginia,  
be granted druggist licenses.



April 13, 1888

Among bills paid was one to Wm. Kimes for painting the Council Chamber - \$20.00.

July 20, 1888

The balance due of rent from the Calvary Presbyterian Church ( Davis St.) be collected as soon as practicable by the Town Sergeant.

Nov. 1, 1888

Much discussion over proposal to extend the alley which now leads from Center St., back of J. H. Johnson's property to the rear of Henry W. Baker's property, clear through to Armstrong St., which would carry it over the property of C. P. Grimes, Andrew Grimes & Paul H. Nefflen.

(This was the alley between N. Main & Davis St., at this time which only extended from Center St. to the rear of what is now Shear's Shoe Store, ... W. Baker's property was the present site of the G. C. Murphy 5 & 10¢ Store.)

May 10, 1889

Application of the Keyser & Burlington Telephone Co. was granted, they were to erect 3 poles along side of Main St. between Quinn's Store (Dan Quinn had a store where Rinard's Jewelry Store is now at 81 N. Main St.) and the South end of said Street. (The South end of Main St., was then the corner of S. Main & Overton Place now).



April 19 1888

Among other things one to the same for painting the Council Chamber - \$20.00.

July 20 1888

The balance due of rent for the Calvary Presbytery Church (Ladies St.) is collected as such as payable by the Town Sargent.

Nov. 1 1888

Such discussion over proposal to extend the ally which now leads from Center St. back of J. H. Johnson's property to the rear of Henry L. Baker's property, clear through to Armstrong St. which would carry it over the property of C. P. Quinn, Andrew Quinn & Paul H. Taffin.  
(This was the ally between N. Main & Davis St. at this time which only extended from Center St. to the rear of what is now Shuman's Store. N. Main's property was the present site of the C. P. Quinn & 104 Store.)

May 10 1888

Application of the Mayor & Washington Telephone Co. was granted, they were to erect 3 poles along side of Main St. between Quinn's Store (Dan Quinn had a store where Lincoln's Jewelry Store is now at N. Main St.) and the South end of said street. (The South end of Main St. was then the corner of N. Main & Overton Place now).



OFFICIALS OF THE TOWN OF KEYSER, W. VA. 1875 - 1905

1875

Mayor - J. T. Hoke  
Councilmen - James I. Barrick  
Thomas B. Davis  
William M. Welch  
Arnold Gerstell, M. D.  
Fred Huffman  
Recorder - Orlando Shay  
Sergeant - John H. Payne

1876

Mayor - J. T. Hoke  
Councilmen - Thomas B. Davis  
T. E. McCooles  
Fred Huffman  
Andrew Grimes  
Wm. H. Jackson  
Recorder - Orlando Shay  
Sergeant - George W. Parsons

1877

Mayor - Orlando Shay  
Councilmen - Wm. T. Head  
Henry W. Baker  
Samuel E. Dixon  
T. E. Funk  
John Hughes  
Recorder - George E. Price  
Sergeant - C. W. Burke (office vacant Aug. 16, 1877  
Wm. H. Head appointed on that date)

1878

Mayor - W. A. Athey  
Councilmen - F. M. Reynolds  
Thos. B. Davis  
B. Huggins  
T. E. McCooles  
Fred Huffman  
Recorder - James H. Jones  
Sergeant - Wm. Brophy - later - Wm. Virtz

1879

Mayor - Wm. M. Welch  
Councilmen - F. M. Reynolds  
Thomas B. Davis  
B. Huggins  
T. E. McCooles  
Fred Huffman  
Recorder - J. B. O. Clemm

1880

Mayor - Wm. M. Welch  
Councilmen - Thos. B. Davis  
F. M. Reynolds  
W. A. Wells  
Fred Huffman  
B. Huggins  
Recorder - J. B. O. Clemm  
Sergeant - Silas M. Atkins



OFFICIALS OF THE TOWN OF NEWBURN - N. H. 1875 - 1902

1875	Mayor - J. T. Hoke Councilman - James L. Harrison Councilman - Thomas S. Davis Councilman - William T. Smith Councilman - James L. Davis Recorder - Fred Harrison Sergeant - William S. Davis
1876	Mayor - J. T. Hoke Councilman - Thomas S. Davis Councilman - James L. Harrison Councilman - William T. Smith Councilman - James L. Davis Recorder - Fred Harrison Sergeant - William S. Davis
1877	Mayor - George S. Davis Councilman - James L. Harrison Councilman - Thomas S. Davis Councilman - William T. Smith Councilman - James L. Davis Recorder - Fred Harrison Sergeant - William S. Davis
1878	Mayor - George S. Davis Councilman - James L. Harrison Councilman - Thomas S. Davis Councilman - William T. Smith Councilman - James L. Davis Recorder - Fred Harrison Sergeant - William S. Davis
1879	Mayor - George S. Davis Councilman - James L. Harrison Councilman - Thomas S. Davis Councilman - William T. Smith Councilman - James L. Davis Recorder - Fred Harrison Sergeant - William S. Davis
1880	Mayor - George S. Davis Councilman - James L. Harrison Councilman - Thomas S. Davis Councilman - William T. Smith Councilman - James L. Davis Recorder - Fred Harrison Sergeant - William S. Davis



1881

Mayor - Wm. M. Welch  
Councilmen - Henry W. Baker  
                  C. E. Blondell  
                  John J. Rine  
                  L. A. Rizer  
                  Asa Mooreland  
Recorder - W. B. Fisher

1882

Mayor - George E. Price  
Councilmen - J. J. Rine  
                  George E. Lepps  
                  J. H. Markwood  
                  Wm. A. Wells  
                  F. M. Reynolds  
Recorder - W. B. Fisher  
Sergeant - Samuel W. Head

1883

Mayor - F. M. Reynolds  
Councilmen - John J. Rine  
                  W. A. Wells  
                  J. H. Markwood  
                  E. B. Creel  
                  C. S. Hoffman  
Recorder - D. C. Arnold  
Sergeant - Samuel W. Head

1884

Mayor - John Miller  
Councilmen - Thos. B. Davis  
                  L. A. Rizer  
                  Henry W. Baker  
                  Silas M. Atkins  
                  Philip Nine

Recorder - D. C. Arnold  
Sergeant - Samuel W. Head

1885

Mayor - John Miller  
Councilmen - Thomas B. Davis  
                  L. A. Rizer  
                  Henry W. Baker  
                  Philip Nine  
                  Floyd Knight  
Recorder - D. C. Arnold  
Sergeant - Samuel W. Head

1886

Mayor - John W. Perry  
Councilmen - Mike Haran  
                  J. Henry Vernon  
                  J. W. Pennington  
                  Fred Huffman  
                  Wm. M. Smith  
Recorder - Ed. H. Davis  
Sergeant - Samuel W. Head



1881

Mayor - Wm. H. Fisher  
Councilmen - Henry W. Fisher  
J. H. Fisher  
John H. Fisher  
Wm. H. Fisher  
J. H. Fisher  
J. H. Fisher

1882

Mayor - George E. Fisher  
Councilmen - J. H. Fisher  
George E. Fisher  
J. H. Fisher  
Wm. A. Fisher  
F. H. Fisher  
Recorder - W. E. Fisher  
Sergeant - Samuel W. Fisher

1883

Mayor - F. H. Fisher  
Councilmen - John H. Fisher  
W. A. Fisher  
J. H. Fisher  
E. E. Fisher  
C. E. Fisher  
Recorder - B. E. Fisher  
Sergeant - Samuel W. Fisher

1884

Mayor - John H. Fisher  
Councilmen - John H. Fisher  
J. H. Fisher  
Henry W. Fisher  
John H. Fisher  
Philip H. Fisher

Recorder - J. E. Fisher  
Sergeant - Samuel W. Fisher

1885

Mayor - John H. Fisher  
Councilmen - John H. Fisher  
J. H. Fisher  
Henry W. Fisher  
Philip H. Fisher  
Troy H. Fisher  
Recorder - B. E. Fisher  
Sergeant - Samuel W. Fisher

1886

Mayor - John H. Fisher  
Councilmen - Mike H. Fisher  
J. H. Fisher  
J. H. Fisher  
J. H. Fisher  
J. H. Fisher  
Recorder - Ed. A. Fisher  
Sergeant - Samuel W. Fisher



1887

Mayor, - J. R. Carskadon  
Councilmen - Thomas B. Davis  
Wm. B. Lauck  
J. H. Markwood  
Mason H. Smith  
Henry W. Baker  
Recorder - E. H. Davis

1888

Mayor - Wm. M. Welch  
Councilmen - J. H. Markwood  
L. F. Spicer  
Mason H. Smith  
L. N. Burk  
John J. Rine  
Recorder - James A. Moody  
Sergeant - L. O. Davis

1889

Mayor - Wm. M. Welch  
Councilmen - L. W. Burke  
J. H. Markwood  
John J. Rine  
Mason H. Smith  
L. F. Spicer  
Recorder - James A. Moody  
Sergeant - L. O. Davis

1890

Mayor - Wm. M. Welch  
Councilmen - L. N. Burke  
J. H. Markwood  
John J. Rine  
Mason H. Smith  
L. F. Spicer  
Recorder - James A. Moody

1891

Mayor - John W. Perry  
Councilmen - A. P. Ritzell  
J. Harry Vernon  
Thomas H. West, M. D.  
George P. Warner  
Cyrus P. Grimes  
Recorder - Adam V. Douglas

1892

Mayor - John W. Perry  
Councilmen - Thomas H. West, M. D.  
A. P. Ritzell  
J. Harry Vernon  
George P. Warner  
Cyrus P. Grimes  
Recorder - Adam V. Douglas

1893

Mayor - Wm. M. Welch  
Councilmen - A. P. Ritzell  
Mason H. Smith  
J. Harry Vernon  
L. O. Davis  
Dan C. Quinn  
Recorder - Turner A. Fifer



1887

Mayor - J. R. Davidson  
Councilman - Thomas A. Davis  
John B. Lamb  
J. H. Fairwood  
James H. Smith  
Henry H. Smith  
Recorder - F. H. Davis

1888

Mayor - J. R. Davidson  
Councilman - J. H. Fairwood  
J. F. Spicer  
James H. Smith  
John B. Lamb  
Henry H. Smith  
Recorder - James A. Lamb  
J. O. Davis

1889

Mayor - J. R. Davidson  
Councilman - J. H. Fairwood  
J. F. Spicer  
James H. Smith  
John B. Lamb  
Henry H. Smith  
Recorder - James A. Lamb  
J. O. Davis

1890

Mayor - J. R. Davidson  
Councilman - J. H. Fairwood  
J. F. Spicer  
James H. Smith  
John B. Lamb  
Henry H. Smith  
Recorder - James A. Lamb  
J. O. Davis

1891

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Councilman - J. H. Fairwood  
J. F. Spicer  
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1892

Mayor - John W. Perry  
Councilman - James H. Smith  
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John B. Lamb  
Henry H. Smith  
Recorder - James A. Lamb  
J. O. Davis

1893

Mayor - John W. Perry  
Councilman - J. H. Fairwood  
J. F. Spicer  
James H. Smith  
John B. Lamb  
Henry H. Smith  
Recorder - James A. Lamb  
J. O. Davis



1894

Mayor - Mason H. Smith  
Councilmen - George T. Carskadon  
J. H. Markwood  
Thomas H. West, M. D.  
J. H. Vernon  
C. Wood Daily  
Recorder - W. N. Offutt

1895

Mayor - William M. Welch  
Councilmen - Thomas H. West, M. D.  
John W. Arnold  
John J. Rine  
Charles Wollerton  
James A. Sharpless  
Recorder - John T. Crawford

1896

Mayor - James A. Sharpless  
Councilmen - J. Harry Vernon  
Wm. P. Clayton  
George T. Carskadon  
Thomas B. Davis  
J. H. Markwood

1897

Mayor - Orlando Shay  
Councilmen - J. H. Markwood  
John G. Koelz  
F. M. Reynolds  
Thomas B. Davis  
J. Harry Vernon  
Recorder - W. N. Offutt

1898

Mayor - William M. Welch  
Councilmen - F. M. Reynolds  
James H. Rine  
James Thornton Carskadon  
John G. Koelz  
Harry G. Buxton

1899

Mayor - W. P. Atwood  
Councilmen - James B. Fetzer  
J. Conrad Kephart  
F. M. Reynolds  
Thomas H. West, M. D.  
Augustus S. Wolf  
Recorder - J. R. Bean

1900

Mayor - J. R. Bean  
Councilmen - F. M. Reynolds  
G. W. Cheshire  
Clarence L. Everhart  
A. P. Ritzell  
Philip Harry Keys



1894

Mayor - Isaac N. Smith  
Councilmen - George T. Carshon  
J. H. Harwood  
Thomas H. West, M. D.  
J. H. Vinton  
C. Wood Daily  
Recorder - W. W. Clift

1895

Mayor - William M. Walsh  
Councilmen - Thomas H. West, M. D.  
John W. Arnold  
John A. Kinn  
Charles Holliston  
James E. Shapley  
Recorder - John T. Crawford

1896

Mayor - James A. Shapley  
Councilmen - J. Harry Vinton  
Wm. T. Clifton  
George T. Carshon  
Thomas B. Davis  
J. H. Harwood

1897

Mayor - Orlando Day  
Councilmen - J. H. Harwood  
John C. Kelle  
T. H. Reynolds  
Thomas B. Davis  
J. Harry Vinton  
Recorder - W. W. Clift

1898

Mayor - William M. Walsh  
Councilmen - T. H. Reynolds  
James H. Bell  
James Holliston Carshon  
John C. Kelle  
Harry E. Benson

1899

Mayor - W. F. Harwood  
Councilmen - James H. Bell  
J. George Kelle  
T. H. Reynolds  
Thomas H. West, M. D.  
Augustus S. Wolf  
Recorder - J. H. Bell

1900

Mayor - J. H. Bell  
Councilmen - T. H. Reynolds  
O. W. Clifton  
Clarence L. Crawford  
A. P. Ritzell  
Philip Harry Kelle



1901

Mayor - James T. Doyle  
Councilmen - George W. Cheshire  
N. J. Crooks  
F. Lemuel Kimmel  
J. H. Markwood  
Clarence L. Everhart  
Recorder - Arthur P. Brown

1902

Mayor - William B. Lauck  
Councilmen - J. H. Markwood  
S. Newton Moore  
Thomas B. Davis  
Horace G. Steorts  
George W. Cheshire  
Recorder - Arthur P. Brown

1903

Mayor - William B. Lauck  
Councilmen - Wm. W. Long  
George W. Cheshire  
J. W. Wagoner  
John J. Rine  
Lemuel J. Powell  
Recorder - Morris F. Jones

1904

Mayor - James T. Doyle  
Councilmen - J. W. Wagoner  
John J. Rine  
J. Harry Vernon  
William W. Long  
George W. Cheshire  
Recorder - Harry L. Arnold  
Sergeant - Henry Halbritter

1905

Mayor - Richard A. Welch  
Councilmen - Arthur P. Brown  
W. S. Davis  
William W. Long  
J. W. Wagoner  
H. L. Arnold  
Recorder - Jacob L. Githens



1901

Mayor - James T. Doyle  
Councilmen - George W. Cheshire  
W. J. Crooks  
F. Samuel Kinsell  
J. H. Harwood  
Clarence L. Everhart  
Recorder - Arthur F. Brown

1902

Mayor - William B. Black  
Councilmen - J. H. Harwood  
S. Harlow Moore  
Thomas L. Davis  
Horace G. Stearns  
George W. Cheshire  
Recorder - Arthur F. Brown

1903

Mayor - William B. Black  
Councilmen - Wm. W. Long  
George W. Cheshire  
J. W. Wigmore  
John J. Kinsell  
Samuel J. Powell  
Recorder - Morris E. Jones

1904

Mayor - James T. Doyle  
Councilmen - J. W. Wigmore  
John J. Kinsell  
J. Henry Vannon  
William W. Long  
George W. Cheshire  
Recorder - Henry B. Arnold  
Sergeant - Henry Halpster

1905

Mayor - Richard A. Welch  
Councilmen - Arthur F. Brown  
W. S. Davis  
William W. Long  
J. W. Wigmore  
H. L. Arnold  
Recorder - Jacob L. Gilman



# Town of South Keyser, W. Va.

1905

The officials elected for the year were: Mayor - Luther Stafford  
Councilmen - Daniel B. Biser  
John Biser  
James H. Trenter  
Chas. A. Rice  
Wm. D. Stewart  
Geo. H. McIlwee  
Wm. H. Wenner, who  
resigned  
James S. Cowger, who  
was appointed to  
replace Wenner  
Recorder - Wm. A. Willhide

1906

Officials elected were:

Mayor - Luther Stafford  
Councilmen - James S. Cowger  
John Biser  
Dan Biser  
Wm. Stewart  
James H. Trenter  
Robert Ludwick



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1902

The officials listed for the year were: Mayor - Nathan Clifford  
Commissioner - Daniel F. Breen  
John Blair  
James H. Thompson  
Charles A. Rice  
Wm. J. Stewart  
Wm. H. Hoffman  
Wm. H. Thompson  
resigned  
James S. Gordon, who  
was appointed to  
replace Thompson  
- Wm. A. Williams

1903

Officials elected were:

Mayor - Nathan Clifford  
Commissioner - James S. Gordon  
John Blair  
Dan Rice  
Wm. Stewart  
James H. Thompson  
Robert Davidson



THE TOWN OF SOUTH KEYSER, WEST VIRGINIA

December 10, 1903

Met at Kimes' Drug Store, N. Main St. (this was later Romig's Drug Store and was on the site of the present Farmers and Merchants Bank Building) at 7:30 P.M.

The citizens of that part of the Town of South Keyser known as Carskadon's Addition, met to take such action as may be deemed best to Incorporate said Carskadon's Addition.

Wm. D. Stewart was elected temporary chairman, H. H. Poling, secretary; moved and seconded that the town be named Brooklyn, W. Va. (motion apparently lost).

A Census Committee was appointed as follows: - W. Roy Kimes, William D. Stewart, O. Orndorff and William T. Mulledy.

James Trenter was appointed to have bills struck.

March 10, 1904

A meeting was held and a collection was taken up to pay D. G. Martin, Surveyor and O. A. Hood, lawyer, for services rendered by them in the incorporation of South Keyser.

Those contributing were:

George H. McIlwee	Charles Cook
Thomas R. Carskadon	Boyd Linthicum
Wm. T. Mulledy	Harry O. Willhide
Wm. A. Wilhide	H. H. Poland
Wm. D. Stewart	R. W. Richmond
Charles F. Rice	D. B. Biser
Frank L. Fisher	L. A. Iser
John Biser	Aaron Welton
James H. Trenter	

A Mayor, Recorder and Council were elected in August 1904, after the town had been incorporated by the West Virginia Legislature.

Sept. 2, 1904

The newly elected officials held their first meeting at Willhide's Shop, corner of S. Water and Chestnut Streets. Present were:

Mayor - Thomas R. Carskadon  
Councilmen - James H. Trenter  
John Biser  
Chas. A. Rice  
Dan B. Biser  
Wm. A. Willhide  
Wm. D. Stewart  
Wm. T. Mulledy



# THE TOWN OF SOUTH KEYES, WEST VIRGINIA

December 10, 1908

Met at Kinsey's Drug Store, N. Main St. (then, and later Kinsey's Drug Store, and was on the site of the present Farmers and Merchants Bank building) at 7:30 P.M.

The citizens of that part of the Town of South Keyes known as Carakodon's Addition met to take such action as may be deemed best to incorporate said Carakodon's Addition.

Mr. D. Stewart was elected temporary chairman, H. H. Helling, secretary. Moved and seconded that the town be named Brooklyn, W. Va. Motion apparently lost.

A Citizens Committee was appointed as follows: - W. Roy Kinsey, William D. Stewart, O. Stewart and William T. Holliday.

James Treaster was appointed to have bills drawn.

March 10, 1909

A meeting was held and a collection was taken up to pay D. G. Martin, Surveyor and O. A. Hood, lawyer, for services rendered in the incorporation of South Keyes.

Those contributing were:

Charles Cook	George H. Holliday
Boyd Linnahan	Thomas H. Carakodon
Henry O. Williams	Wm. J. Holliday
Wm. H. Poland	Wm. A. Williams
R. W. Richmond	Wm. A. Stewart
D. D. Helling	Charles F. Rice
L. A. Leach	Frank M. Fisher
James Treaster	Wm. H. Treaster

A Mayor, Recorder and Council were elected in August 1909, after the town had been incorporated by the West Virginia Legislature.

Sept. 2, 1909

The newly elected officials held their first meeting at Williams's Shop corner of S. Water and Chestnut Streets. Present were:

Mayor - Thomas R. Carakodon  
Recorder - James H. Treaster  
Councilmen - John Biscoe  
Charles F. Rice  
Wm. H. Poland  
Wm. A. Williams  
Wm. D. Stewart  
Wm. T. Holliday



EXCERPTS AND CONDENSATIONS FROM THE SPECIAL EDITION OF THE KEYSER TRIBUNE (A DEMOCRAT PAPER) ISSUE - Vol. 29, No. 1 - July 1898, Keyser, W. Va.

Page 1. The B. & O. R. R. reached Keyser in 1852.

"The railroad officials, pleased with the natural advantages of New Creek with its wide extent of level land, greatly desired to locate its shops here and would have done so, had not the owners of the small tract of land needed asked an exhorbitant price. These shops have since been secured for the payment of a \$10,000.00 bonus.

Keyser is on the main lines of the Baltimore and Ohio and the West Virginia Central Railroads. The population is now about 3,300, altitude 900 ft. above sea level.

The Water Works - Built at the expense of a \$45,000 bond issue. The source a spring 290 ft. higher than the town, with a resulting pressure of 126 lbs. per square inch. Now (1898) the bond issue is reduced to \$37,000.00.

#### Municipal Officers:

Mayor, Wm. M. Welch, - Recorder & Assessor, S. M. Atkins  
Sergeant & Treasurer - C. F. Vest  
Councilmen - F. M. Reynolds  
J. T. Carskadon  
James H. Rine  
John G. Koelz  
H. G. Buxton

Total bond indebtedness \$37,000.00. Assessed value of real estate \$465,000.00. Town taxes are 70 cents of \$100.00.

#### Telephone System

Recently installed - operated under franchise by the Gordon Telephone Co.

The Burlington Telephone Co. is leased by the Gordon Telephone Co. as far as Burlington, where it connects with a complete system in operation to Romney, Moorefield, Petersburg and Franklin.

The B. & O. Shops were moved here from Piedmont in the early 1870's and in 1896 were moved to Cumberland, Md., and then citizens here raised \$10,000 for the R. R. Company to move them back.

Largest Carriage and Wagon Works in this state. A. P. Ritzell, began in 1879, moved to West Street in 1883. A. P. Ritzell was born in Cumberland, Md. in 1853, He married Annie M. Keys in 1880.

The Keyser Bank - Chartered July 15, 1886, Capital Stock \$50,000.00.

President, F. M. Reynolds, - W. J. Babb, Vice-President; J. T. Carskadon, Cashier, J. A. Sharpless, Assistant Cashier; Directors, J. D. Gelwicks, G. T. Carskadon, N. J. Crooks and J. H. Markwood.

J. B. Fetzer & Co. - Store established October, 1897. General Store.

C. W. Siever & Co. - Hardware, Stoves and Tinware, wholesale and retail business established June 1, 1895, at Corner of Center and N. Water St., now Chevrolet Car Lot.



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The Water Works - Built at the expense of a \$25,000 bond issue. The  
source spring 240 ft. higher than the town, with a resulting pressure of  
128 lbs. per square inch. Now (1933) the bond issue is reduced to \$27,500.00.

#### Municipal Officers:

Mayor, Wm. H. Welch - Recorder & Assessor, S. J. Atkins  
Sergeant & Treasurer - C. E. Vest  
Commissioner - F. M. Reynolds  
J. T. Garckador  
James H. Kline  
John G. Koele  
H. G. Duxton

Total bond indebtedness \$37,000.00. Assessed value of real estate  
\$455,000.00. Town taxes are 70 cents of \$100.00.

#### Telephone System

Recently installed - operated under franchise by the Gordon Telephone Co.

The Burlington Telephone Co. is leased by the Gordon Telephone Co.  
as far as Burlington, where it connects with a complete system in operation to  
Romney, Moorfield, Petersburg and Franklin.

The B. & O. Shops were moved here from Elkhart in the early 1930's  
and in 1936 were moved to Cumberland, Md., and then citizens here raised \$10,000  
for the R. R. Company to move them back.

Lawrence Carriage and Wagon Works in this place. A. F. Ritzell began  
in 1873, moved to West Street in 1883. A. F. Ritzell was born in Cumberland,  
Md., in 1823. He married Anna M. Rye in 1850.

#### The Keyser Bank - Chartered July 15, 1888 Capital Stock \$20,000.00.

President, F. M. Reynolds, - W. J. Babb, Vice-President, J. T. Garckador, Cashier,  
J. A. Sharpless, Assistant Cashier, Directors, J. D. Geiwicks, G. T. Garckador,  
M. J. Crooks and J. H. Markwood.

#### J. F. Fetter & Co. - Store established October, 1897. General Store.

C. W. Stover & Co. - Hardware, Stoves and Tinware, wholesale and retail  
business established June 1, 1892, at corner of Center and N. Water Sts. now  
Chevrolet Car lot.



Nefflen's Store - Cor. Main and Armstrong Streets. Run by Paul H. Nefflen, son of Emil Nefflin, of Piedmont, who began business there in 1854, who came from Wurtemberg, Germany, and who came to America in 1848. Paul H.'s grandfather, John Nefflin, was a prominent German jurist and author of several valuable works.

Richardson Bros. & Co. - Furniture Manufacturers. Milton G. and Richard G. Richardson located in Keyser in 1875, and began their furniture business on Davis Street, in 1880. Business expanded and they bought the building on Armstrong St., later occupied by the Mountain Echo Paper. After they started the factory, they sold the store and undertaking business to J. H. Markwood in 1891.

M. J. McNally - New Stock of Harness  
Came from Elk Garden

W. E. Crooks - born in Zanesville, Ohio, Nov. 22, 1862. Raised in Hardy County. Had position in U. S. Census Office, Washington, and later was in real estate in Washington, where he married. Moved to Keyser 1893. Had the cigar and stog's factory here in 107 S. Main St., named The Crooks Tobacco Co. He and his wife have built a palatial home on S. Mineral St., known as "Buckeye Cottage."

#### The Gem Pharmacy

J. R. Criser, Proprietor, Lawrence L. Kimes, Manager, Main St. (later Romig's Old Pharmacy). Was opened a year ago last May. Mr. Kimes is a registered pharmacist, who has been in the drug business for the past six years. The proprietor, Mr. Criser, is a conductor on the B. & O. R. R., and he has worked for it for 36 years (1862).

#### Dan C. Quinn, Merchant.

Main St., where Rinard's Jewelry now is. Store was founded in 1882 by L. M. Shepherd & Co., of Cumberland, Md. Mr. Quinn was its first manager. He purchased it in 1888. He was born in Hampshire Co., and was at one time a town councilman.

#### The Keyser Public Schools

Conducted on a professional basis. High School affiliated with the State University.

Present school board - J. A. Sharpless, President; W. E. Fazenbaker, Commissioner; George R. Davis, Secretary. The school building on Mineral St. was built for \$15,000.00. Keyser's scholastic population is 752 whites, 55 colored. The amount of money spent for school salaries for the term 1897-98 is \$4,986.00. The number of teachers employed is 12. School term - 9 months (\$415.50 per year). The first high school graduate was in 1889 (Miss Blanche Harrison, was her name). The high school has an alumni association. R. M. Collins has been the principal for the past three years (1895).

The Electric Light Plant - The Keyser Electric Light Company - Mineral St. Erected building in 1895. Capacity with motors now installed is 1000-16 candle-power incandescent lights, and 40-2000, candle-power arc lights. The town streets are lighted with arc lights. Officers and directors of company - F. M. Reynolds, President; A. W. Coffroth, Vice-President; N. J. Crooks, Manager & Treasurer, Directors, W. E. Crooks, H. G. Buxton, J. H. Markwood and J. T. Carskadon. Authorized stock \$50,000.00.



Wetzel's Store - Cor. Main and Armstrong Streets. Run by Paul H. Wetzel, son of Emil Wetzel, of Piedmont, who began business there in 1884, who came from Wuppertal, Germany, and who came to America in 1848. Paul H. Wetzel's father, John Wetzel, was a prominent German jurist and author of several valuable works.

Richardson Bros. & Co. - Furniture Manufacturers. Wilson G. and Richard G. Richardson located in Keyser in 1875, and began their furniture business on Davis Street. In 1880, business expanded and they bought the building on Armstrong St., later occupied by the Mountain Land Ice Co. After they started the factory, they sold the store and undertook business to J. H. Markwood in 1891.

M. J. Schally - New Stock of Harness  
Came from Elk Grove

W. E. Crooks - born in Zanesville, Ohio, Nov. 21, 1862. Bland in Hardy County, had position in U. S. Census Office, Washington, and later was a postmaster in Washington, where he married. Moved to Keyser in 1888. Had the cigar and soap factory from 1877 to 1911. In 1911, he and his wife have built a beautiful home on S. Mineral St., known as "Buckeye Cottage".

#### The Gem Pharmacy

J. R. Crider, Proprietor, Lawrence L. Kimes, Manager, Main St. (later Romig's Old Pharmacy). Was opened a year ago last May. J. R. Kimes is a registered pharmacist, who has been in the drug business for the past six years. The proprietor, Mr. Crider, is a contractor on the S. E. R. R., and he has worked for it for 35 years (1893).

#### Don C. Quinn, Merchant

Main St., where Rind's jewelry now is. Store was founded in 1882 by D. M. Shepley & Co., of Cumberland, Md. Mr. Quinn was the first manager. He was born in Maryland Co., and was at one time a town commissioner.

#### The Keyser Public Schools

Conducted on a non-sectarian basis. High School affiliated with the State University.

Previous school board - A. A. Harpster, President, W. E. Farnsworth, Commissioner, George R. Davis, Secretary. The school building on Mineral St. was built for \$15,000.00. Keyser's school population is 752 whites, 55 colored. The amount of money spent for school salaries for the term 1897-98 is \$4,986.00. The number of teachers employed is 112. School term - 9 months (\$215.50 per year). The first high school graduate was in 1889 (Miss Blanche Harrison, was her name). The high school has an alumni association. R. H. Collins has been the principal for the past three years (1895).

The Electric Light Plant - The Keyser Electric Light Company - Mineral St. erected building in 1895. Capacity with motors now installed is 1000-lb candle-power incandescent lights, and 40-7500 candle-power and lights. The town streets are lighted with the lights. Officers and directors of company - F. J. Reynolds, President, A. W. Collins, Vice-President, W. E. Crooks, Manager, Treasurer, Directors, W. E. Crooks, J. H. Markwood and J. T. Garckson. Authorized stock \$50,000.00.



J. H. Markwood - Furniture & Undertaking - Main Street.

In 1878, Mr. Markwood purchased the stock of several small furniture stores here, consolidating into one store at the corner of Water and Center Streets, where he conducted his business until 1890, at which time he built a brick store building on N. Main St. (site of the F. & M. Bank now), carries a stock of \$5,000 to \$6,000.

He has studied embalming under Prof. Hohenschuh and Prof. Sullivan.

Keyser Woolen Mills - The town's most important industry. Cor. East & Mozelle Streets. The plant was founded by and is under the management of A. C. Scherr in 1893. Weekly output \$750.00 to \$1800.00.

Mrs. L. A. Criser - Fine Millinery & Notions, N. Main St. Mrs. Criser is assisted by her two daughters, Clara and Nellie and by Miss Etta Clary.

J. M. Fisher - Artistic Photography. From Hardy County, resident of Keyser for past 15 years (1883).

George R. Davis - Lawyer. Office, Armstrong St. in building where "Cheap Ikie" later had clothing store. Born Harrison County, Aug. 14, 1865, moved to Doddridge County, 1879. In Oakland, Md., in July 1894, he married Miss Maggie Fisher, of Keyser. Lives in Keyser and has one daughter. He is secretary of the school board.

#### Keyser Churches

(First) Methodist, organized in 1850's. Present building on Davis St., built in March, 1894, dedicated Dec. 1894, costs including grounds \$12,000. Pastor, Rev. J. O. Wightson.

Grace M. E., South, organized 1875, in basement of courthouse. Church erected 1876. Membership now 250. Sunday School 300. Pastor, Rev. J. H. Light.

Presbyterian Church - Church at Cor. of Main & Piedmont Sts., built 1893, cost about \$10,000.00. Present Pastor, Rev. J. H. Moore, installed in 1890. Membership then 35, now 190. Until Rev. Moore's advent here, the Piedmont church was included in this pastorate.

Christian Church - meets in Carskadon's Hall - Pastor, Rev. W. H. Patterson.

St. Joseph's Catholic Church (should be St. James' Church)

Pastor - Father Drake

St. James' M. E. Church - (should be Janes' M. E. Church) the colored church.

Wm. C. Clayton, Lawyer - born in Hampshire Co., Virginia, Jan. 24, 1831, now 67 years old. Admitted to Bar 1859. His father was T. Clayton, M. D., of Romney. Attended the Classical School at Romney and the University of Virginia in 1847-48.



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years old. Admitted to bar 1829. His father was T. Clayton, E. D. of Romney.  
Wm. C. Clayton, lawyer - born in Hampshire Co., Virginia Jan. 20, 1831, now 67

St. Daniel's Church - (should be Daniel's Church) the colored  
Pastor - Father Burke  
St. Joseph's Catholic Church (should be St. James' Church)

Christian Church - meets in Carpenden's Hall - Pastor, Rev. W. H. Patter-

son.  
here, the First Church was included in this  
Rev. J. H. Moore, installed in 1890. Membership  
1893, cost about \$19,500.00. Present Pastor,  
Church at Court of Main & Pleasant Sts., Ball's

erected 1876. Membership now 256. Sunday School 300. Pastor, Rev. W. H. Light,  
Grace St. E., South, organized 1875. In payment of construction, Church

Wigston.  
costs including grounds \$11,000. Pastor, Rev. J. C.  
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(First) Methodist, organized in 1850's. Present building on Davis

### Keyser Churches

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County, 1873. In January, 1873, he married Miss Maggie Fisher of  
inter had clothing store. Born Harrison County, Aug. 18, 1818, moved to Berkeley  
George H. Davis - lawyer, Office, Armstrong St. in building where 'Cheap Milk

for past 15 years (1883).  
J. N. Fisher - Artistic Photography, First N. W. by County, residence of Keyser

assisted by her two daughters, Clara and . 111 and by Miss Kate Clara.  
Mrs. J. A. Fisher - Time Millinery & Notions, N. Main St. Mrs. Clara is

In 1893, weekly output \$750.00 to \$1800.00.  
attests. The plant was founded by and is under the management of A. C. Schor  
Keyser Woolen Mill - The town's woolen industry. For last 5 months

He has started obtaining under from Hochschule minister, Sullivan.

stock of \$5,000 to \$6,000.  
brick store building on N. Main St. (site of the F. & M. Bank now), carries a  
streets, where he conducted his business until 1900, at which time he built a  
store here, consolidating into one store at the corner of Main and Center  
In 1878, Mr. Linkwood purchased the stock of several small businesses  
J. H. Linkwood - Furniture & Undertaking - Main Street.



Jesse A. Sharpless - Born in Elk Garden in 1844. Attended Fairmont Normal School. Taught school in Piedmont for seven years. Was County Superintendent of Schools for three terms. Moved to Keyser 17 years ago (1881), where he was Deputy Sheriff for eight years. Became teller and acting Assistant Cashier at Keyser Bank in 1890. Married Carrie A. Nesbit in June, 1881. Bought the McCarty land 12 years ago (1886) consisting of 8 acres.

George T. Carskadon - Founded store in Keyser in 1874, cor. Main & Center St., Keyser Telegraph Supply Co., Manufacturer's of Pins, Brackets and Cross Arms, R. E. McQuay, Manager.

Charles P. Peter's Hardware Store - East Street.

D. T. Greenwade Store - established 14 years ago (1884). Established a branch store in Cumberland, Md.

N. J. Crooks - Born in Zanesville, Ohio, January 16, 1861, son of Capt. W. B. Crooks (Civil War). His great uncle was Gen. Crooks, famous Indian fighter. Came to Keyser 18 years ago (1880). Traveling representative and salesman for Baer Sons Wholesale Grocery, of Wheeling, W. Va. They have a branch house in Piedmont. Married Mrs. Emma Lee in Sept. 1882.

Crooks Tobacco Co. - Factory located on Main St., in South portion of Keyser. Leading brands made - "Crooks Old Cuban" and "Congress Perfecto", Recent days shipment 32,000 cigars. Made of Havana Tobacco with Sumatra filter. President, N. J. Crooks; E. F. Nine, Vice President; W. E. Crooks, Secretary; J. M. Trexler, Manager.

J. M. Bright's Livery Stable - Son of E. C. Bright, Father ran a stage between Morgantown and Fairmont for 31 years and came to Keyser in 1881. His father had mail carrying contract between Keyser and Moorefield and Maysville and Petersburg. Father bought livery stable from Knight & Purgitt in 1889. Three years later father gave one half of livery stable to son, Jesse. On April 15, 1895, Jesse bought out father's half in location near Keys House. On April 5, 1897, Jesse bought out the Grimes Livery Stable for \$2,550.00. Was born in Morgantown 1871. Married Nannie M. McIlwee of Romney, October 20, 1894.

G. W. Bane - Oldest Insurance Agency in Keyser. International Life Insurance Co.  
New York Life Insurance Co.,  
Native of Hampshire Co.

Thomas L. Gray, Jeweler - Store on Main St., near Armstrong St. Founded 1897.  
C. W. Wells works for him.

Reese & Rinehart - Hardware Store- Founded 1895. Six employees. W. D. Reese, Jr. resident here since 1893. Now for 18 months in ill health. E. C. Rinehart, located for years in Hutchinson, Kansas. Came to Keyser in 1893.

City Market - R. M. Workman, Proprietor. Main St. Employes James Robey as butcher. Father had general store at New Creek in 1870's.

W. H. Nefflen, News & Variety Store - born in Piedmont. Son of Emil brother of Paul.

Combination Store - A. P. Ritzell, Proprietor. Established July 18, 1895. Managed by J. M. & J. C. Linthicum. Sold shoes & footwear, also harness and horse collars.



Ussie A. Sharpless - Born in Elk Garden in 1844. Attended Fairmont Normal School. Taught school in Piedmont for seven years. Was County Superintendent of Schools for three terms. Moved to Wayne 17 years ago (1881) where he was Deputy Sheriff for eight years. Became teller and acting Assistant Cashier at Keyser Bank in 1890. Married Carrie A. Smith in June, 1891. Bought the McCarty land 12 years ago (1888) consisting of 8 acres.

George T. Crankson - Founded store in Keyser in 1874, corner Main & Center St. Keyser Telegraph Supply Co., Manufacturer's of Pins, Brackets and Cross Arms. R. E. McGowan, Manager.

Charles P. Pater's Hardware Store - East Street.

C. T. Tronwade Store - Established 14 years ago (1884). Established a branch store in Cumberland, Md.

N. J. Crooks - Born in Xenosville, Ohio, January 10, 1861. Son of Capt. W. B. Crooks (Civil War). His great uncle was Gen. Crooks, famous Indian fighter. Came to Keyser 12 years ago (1880). Traveling representative and salesman for East Side Wholesale Grocery of Wheeling, W. Va. They have a branch house in Piedmont. Married Mrs. Anna Lee in Sept. 1882.

Crooks Tobacco Co. - Factory located on Main St., in same portion of Keyser. Leading brands here - Crooks Old Cuban and Congress No. 10. Recent days shipment 32,000 cigars. Made of Havana tobacco with Gumatia filter. President, N. J. Crooks, E. F. Mine, Vice President, W. E. Crooks, Secretary, J. M. Brooker, Manager.

J. M. Bright's Livery Stable - Son of E. C. Bright, who ran a stage between Morgantown and Fairmont for 31 years and came to Keyser in 1881. His father had mail carrying contract between Keyser and Newellfield and Newellfield and Petersburg. Father bought livery stable from Knight & Bright in 1883. Three years later father gave one half of livery stable to son, Jesse. On April 18, 1893, Jesse bought out father's half in location near Kay's house. On April 5, 1897, Jesse bought out the Gilman livery stable for \$2,250.00. Was born in Morgantown 1871. Married Annie M. Melton of Romney, October 20, 1897.

G. W. Sane - Oldest Insurance Agency in Keyser. International Life Insurance Co. New York Life Insurance Co. Native of Hampshire Co.

Thomas L. Gray Jeweler - Store on Main St., near Armstrong St. Founded 1897. C. W. Wallis works for him.

Lease & Rinsant - Hardware Store - Founded 1885. Six employees. W. D. Rinsant, Jr. resident here since 1883. Now for 18 months in ill health. E. C. Rinsant, located for years in Hutchinson, Kansas. Came to Keyser in 1893.

City Market - R. M. Workman, Proprietor. Main St. Employee, James Roney as butcher. Father had general store at New Creek in 1870's.

W. H. Hellen, News & Variety Store - born in Piedmont. Son of Emil Hellen of Fair. Combination Store - A. P. Rivett, Proprietor. Established July 1st, 1892. Managed by J. H. & J. C. Linthicum. Sold shoes & foot wear. also harness and horse collars.



Walter Lowry - Grocer & market gardner. Came to Keyser about 26 years ago (1872), was in pottery business in Roseville, Ohio, where he married Aurilla Weaver in 1868.

Carskadon & Reynolds - Grocery and meat store. First established by Col. T. R. Carskadon. Now in the hands of his son. L. T. Carskadon since 1897. On Jan. 1st., 1898, also son-in-law of T. R. 's - G. Hal Reynolds is partner.

Keyser Bottling Works - J. R. Bean, Mgr. 60¢ per case of 2 doz. bottles. J. R. Bean is from Petersburg, W. Va.

C. P. Grimes, Livery Stable, Davis Street. In business 15 years (1883).

Secret Orders:

Davis Lodge #5 A.F. & A.M., instituted Feb. 24, 1889.  
I.O.O.F., Queens Point Lodge #78, instituted Sept. 25, 1875.  
Knights of Pythias, Olive Branch Lodge #25, instituted March 3, 1876.  
Ancient Order United Workmen, Potomac Lodge #7 - Sept. 2, 1891  
Junior Order United American Mechanics, Enterprise Council #20, 1889  
National Union, New Creek Lodge #241 - 1886

Mineral County Officers:

R. W. Dailey, Jr., Judge of Circuit Court  
J. V. Bell, Clerk, Circuit Court  
Frank C. Reynolds, Prosecuting Attorney  
W. E. Heskett, Sheriff  
Floyd Knight, Deputy Sheriff  
L. O. Davis, Deputy Sheriff  
Thomas P. Adams, County Surveyor  
C. F. Hahn, Supt. of Schools  
D. C. Arnold, Assessor, West District  
P. M. Dayton, Assessor East District  
County Commissioners, P. S. Minshall  
Michael Masteller  
George Arnold  
Clerk County Court, J. V. Bell  
Deputy to Circuit and County Courts, J. A. Fifer  
Real estate assessment - 1897 - \$2,733,460.00  
R. R. Property 901,091.83  
Personal Property 944,810.00  
Tax rate for county purposes - 35¢ per \$100.00  
Population in 1890 - 12,085  
Est. population 1898 - 15,000  
Area 300 sq. miles

Rosedale Mills - G. S. Frederick, Prop. Since 1887, Mr. Frederick was in milling business in Keyser, across the Potomac River until June 28, 1897, when his mill was destroyed by fire. It is now on Patrick Street. Mr. Frederick was born in Valley of Virginia, and raised in Fayette Co., Pa.

Feaster Brothers, Jewelers and Watch Makers, Main Street.



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Roseville Mills - G. S. Frederick, Prop., since 1907. Mr. Frederick was in  
lumber business in Myer, across the Potomac River until about 1887 when  
his mill was destroyed by fire. It is now on Patrick Street, in Frederick  
was born in Valley of Virginia, and raised in Virginia Co., Va.

Area 300 sq. miles  
Est. population 1890 - 15,000  
Population in 1900 - 15,000  
Tax rate for county purposes - 20 per \$100.00  
Personal property  
\$24,810.00  
\$01,001.83  
Real estate assessment - 1907 - \$2,735,409.00  
Deputy to Clerk and County Court, W. A. Tiffin  
Clerk County Court, J. V. Laff

George Arnold  
Mineral Master  
County Commissioner, E. S. Marshall  
P. M. Dwyer, Assessor East District  
D. C. Arnold, Assessor West District  
C. F. Dehn, Judge of Probate  
Thomas P. Lewis, County Surveyor  
H. O. Davis, Deputy Sheriff  
E. J. Schmitt, Deputy Sheriff  
Frank C. Reynolds, Prosecuting Attorney  
J. V. Bell, Clerk Circuit Court  
H. W. Bailey, Jr., Judge of Circuit Court

Mineral County Officers:

Mineral Union, New Creek Lodge 570 - 1886  
United Order United Workmen, Potomac Lodge 47 - 1891  
Knights of Pythias, Olive Branch Lodge 425, instituted March 8, 1878  
I.O.O.F., Queens Joint Lodge 478, instituted Sept. 22, 1877  
Davis Lodge No. 1, F. & A.M., instituted Dec. 24, 1884

Secret Orders:

C. F. Grimes, Livestock Agent, Davis Street, in business 10 years (1887).

Keyser Bottling Works - J. R. Dean, Prop., one of 2 bottling works, J. R.  
Dean is from Pennsylvania, N. Va.

1898, also son-in-law of T. R. 's - G. H. Reynolds is partner.  
Carakaton, now in the hands of his son, J. T. Carakaton since 1887. The firm is  
Carakaton & Reynolds - George Reynolds and son. Firm was divided by son, J. T.

Walter Lowry - Grocer & Meat Market, came to Keyser about 20 years ago (1875)  
was in pottery business in Rockville, Ohio, where he married  
Aurilia Weaver in 1888.



S. N. Moore, Dry Goods, Notions & Clothing. - Corner Main and Armstrong Streets. Mr. Moore, a native of Fayette Co., Pa., married To Louisa Harvey on August 26, 1883, at Brownsville, Pa. Moved to Keyser in 1887. His home is on Church Street, and was built nine years ago. (1889).

T. H. Davis - Jewelry, Bicycles & Musical Instruments. Business began 1886, and also married Della Chidester in 1886, at Newburg, W. Va.

A. W. Coffroth, Men's Clothing - Came to Keyser in 1880, and worked for Hughes and Grove. Succeeded Hughes' interest in 1883. Bought out Grove in April, 1886. He formed a partnership with his brother, E. Coffroth, under the name Coffroth Brothers.

Keyser Milling Co., corner Patrick & West Streets. Opened and built by Allender and Maders in 1873, who sold out to L. R. Wagoner, who sold it to John Allender and John Hughes. Allender bought out Hughes and later sold it to L. A. Riser. Now run by L. A. Rizer Milling Co. Head miller, S. R. Hott.

John D. Gelwicks, Shoe Merchant, born Boonsboro, Md. Nov. 1846. Has been in shoe making here since 1874.

D. S. Powell - General merchandise. Born in Grant County 1861. Had store in Maysville and Headsville, and came to Keyser in 1894.

City Hotel - Mrs. Julia Haughton, Prop. 8 rooms and bar. Established 1888. Home cooking "Old National Whiskey". Rates \$1.00 per day.

S. E. Hershey, Veteranian. Opened office here February 2, 1898.

C. L. Everhart, Mgr. of New York Clothing Store for three years. Opened his own store March 30, 1898. Native of Harper's Ferry, West Virginia.



S. W. Moore, Dry Goods, Notions & Clothing. - Corner Main and Armstrong Streets.  
S. W. Moore, a native of Fayette Co., Pa., married to Louisa Harvey on August 25,  
1883, at Brownsville, Pa. Moved to Kaysers in 1887. His term as a County Surveyor  
had was built nine years ago. (1883).

T. H. Davis - Jeweler, Watches & Optical Instruments. Established in 1888, and  
also married Della Childers in 1888 at Newburg, W. Va.

A. W. Coffey, Men's Clothing. - Came to Kaysers in 1880, and worked for Hughes  
and Grove. Purchased Hughes' interest in 1883. Bought out Grove in April, 1888.  
He formed a partnership with his brother, E. Coffey, under the name Coffey  
Brothers.

Kaysers Milling Co., Corn & Flour Business. Opened and built by Alexander  
and Kaysers in 1876, who sold out to E. R. Kaysers, who sold it to John Allen  
and John Kaysers. Allen bought out Hughes and later sold it to E. R. Kaysers.  
Now run by E. R. Kaysers Milling Co. Head miller, E. R. Kaysers.

John B. Colwick, Shoe Merchant, born Pennsylvania, Pa. Nov. 1848. Has been in  
Kaysers since 1874.

C. E. Powell - General Merchandise. Born in Grant County 1861, and store in  
Mayaville and Hardsville, and came to Kaysers in 1894.

City Hotel - Mrs. Julia Hutton, Prop. 6 rooms and bath. Established 1888.  
Home cooking "Old National Whiskey". Rates \$1.00 per day.

S. E. Henshaw, Veterinarian. Opened office here February 2, 1897.

C. L. Iviehart, Mgr. of New York Clothing Store for three years. Opened his  
own store March 30, 1893. A native of Kaysers Ferry, West Virginia.



From The Keyser Tribune, Vol. XXXV, No. 51, Keyser, W. Va., June 15, 1906  
(Paper was in the corner stone of Trinity Lutheran Church, Keyser, laid in 1906 -  
opened July, 1969).

"General News"

"Don't be fooled and made believe that rheumatism can be cured with  
local applications. Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea is the only positive cure  
for rheumatism, 35¢, Tea or Tablets, Romig Drug Co."

"Rev. J. William McCauley, pastor of St. Paul's Lutheran Church,  
Cumberland has just been elected a member of the Board of Trustees of Irving  
College, Mechanicsburg, Pa., to fill a vacancy in said board. This is the  
largest Lutheran College for women in the General Synod of the Lutheran Church."

"Cumberland, Md., June 10th. - Mr. Frank Welch, aged 21 years, a Balti-  
more and Ohio brakeman, while under a car, it was pushed on him, an engine having  
run into the rear of his train. The accident occurred at the Williams Street  
Crossing, Cumberland, this morning and death resulted from internal injury at  
the Allegheny Hospital. He resided with his parents in South Cumberland."

"Red Star News" - June 14, 1906

"Our vicinity was visited by heavy rains last week which was badly needed.

Mr. Wilson Rawlings and sister, Miss Myrtle, were visiting at Ben Hull's  
Sunday.

Miss Tirza McDowell has gone to Keyser to stay a while with her brother.



From The Kaysville Tribune, Vol. XXXV, No. 21, Kaysville, June 15, 1908.  
(Paper was in the corner room of Trinity Lutheran Church, Kaysville, June 15, 1908 -  
opened July, 1909).

General News:  
"Don't be fooled and make believe that the situation can be changed with  
local applications. Holliester's Rocky Mountain Tea is the only positive cure  
for rheumatism, 35¢, 75¢ or 1 dollar, Home, Drug Co.

Rev. J. William McCann, pastor of St. Paul's Lutheran Church  
Cumberland has just been elected a member of the board of trustees of Trinity  
College, New Brunswick, N.J., to fill a vacancy in said board. This is the  
largest Lutheran College for women in the General Synod of the Lutheran Church.

Cumberland, Md., June 10th. - Mr. Frank Welch, aged 21 years, a native  
more and Ohio backman, while under a car, it was pushed on him an engine moving  
from into the rear of his train. The accident occurred at the Williams River  
Crossing, Cumberland, this morning and death resulted from internal injury at  
the Albany Hospital. He resided with his parents in South Cumberland.

Red Cross News - June 15, 1908

Our vicinity was visited by heavy rain last week which was badly needed.

Mr. Wilson Krawling and sister, Miss Hyatt, were visiting at Ben Hall's

Sunday.

Miss Anna McDowell has gone to Kaysville to stay a while with her parents.







